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Grim And Desperate Battle Rages In Crete

NO MEANS OF RETREAT FOR EITHER SIDE: HEAVY NAZI LOSSES ON LAND AND SEA

LONDON, May 22.

"A most strange and grim battle is being fought. Our side has no air support because we have no aerodromes, not because we have no aeroplanes. The enemy has no artillery or tanks.

NO MEANS OF RETREAT

"Neither side has any means of retreat. It is a desperate, grim battle which will affect the whole course of the campaign in the Mediterranean."

This statement was made by Mr. Winston Churchill, the Prime Minister of England in the course of his statement in the House of Commons to-day on the situation in Crete.

NAZI LANDINGS CONTINUE

CAIRO:—German landings in Crete by air are continuing, but attempts at sea landing hitherto have been unsuccessful as convoys have been dispersed or sunk.

HEAVY GERMAN LOSSES

German losses in Crete on Wednesday were the heaviest yet and by nightfall the situation was satisfactory in every area except one where the enemy secured a temporary foothold.

THREE SUCCESSFUL COUNTER-ATTACKS

A British G. H. Q. 'communique' announced on Thursday afternoon: "On Thursday further waves of German parachutists and air-borne troops continued to land at various points on the Island throughout the day. British and New Zealand forces assisted by Greeks and Cretans all rendered a magnificent account of themselves.

Fighting with splendid courage and dash our Empire forces with their gallant Allies delivered three successful counterattacks. Enemy losses yesterday were even heavier than before and by nightfall the situation was satisfactory in every area except Maleme in which the enemy had secured a temporary foothold. Operations to deal with this situation are now in progress.

Enemy landings by air are continuing, but as a result of action by the Royal Navy attempts by the Germans to support their airborne troops by landing from the sea have so far been unsuccessful. Their convoys have been dispersed or sunk. The spirit of the defenders of Crete is higher than ever."

Churchill's Statement

Mr. Churchill told the House of Commons this afternoon that very large attempts by the enemy to carry an army into Crete by sea were being resisted by our naval forces, he believed, with success.

Last night, said Mr. Churchill, an enemy convoy was intercepted and two transports, a number of boats and a destroyer escorting the convoy was sunk. To-day very much bigger efforts of the same kind have been repeated by the enemy and a convoy of thirty vessels was seen this morning by our forces and the convoy turned away. Mr. Churchill added: "I have got no definite information as to the results, but I feel that it can hardly be otherwise than satisfactory in view of the naval forces at our disposal in the Mediterranean."

Parachute Landings

Although the situation in Crete was in hand, Mr. Churchill said the Germans had gained some local success at a heavy cost. German parachutists were being reinforced daily. At Heraklion our forces still hold the aerodrome although the Germans have occupied certain buildings in the town. An enemy attack on Rethymo aerodrome was successfully held. In Canea-Suda Bay sector parachute landings, after heavy air attacks, were heavily engaged by artillery fire. At Malemi the enemy appeared to be in occupation of the aerodrome, but the aerodrome was still under fire.

Grim Battle

Mr. Churchill continued: "A most strange and grim battle is being fought. Our side has no air support because we have no aerodromes, not because we have no aeroplanes. The enemy has no artillery or tanks. Neither side has any means of retreat. It is a desperate, grim battle which will affect the whole course of the campaign in the Mediterranean". Mr. Churchill concluded.

AERODROMES IN GREECE RAIDED

CAIRO, May 22.

A heavy successful attack on four German-occupied aerodromes in Greece of Elausis, Menidi, Maladi and Topolia was made by R.A.F. bombers on Tuesday|Wednesday night.—

Fires Started

An R.A.F. Middle East 'communique' says: "At Eleusis bombs were seen to burst among aircraft on the ground and a fire was started.

At Menidi the results were not observed.

At Malaoi several large explosions were observed, while at Topolia two fires were started.

Crete Comments In America

(From Our Correspondent).

LONDON, May 22.

American reaction to the situation in Crete exclusively gathered from New York is that the battle of Crete dominates radio comment which, however, refrains from predicting the outcome of the struggle.

There is nevertheless an underlying impression that Germans may achieve success by lavish expenditure of men and machines. This trend gives the comment generally a pessimistic tone.

Broadcasters popularise the theme that the invasion of Crete may prove a dress rehearsal for invasion of Britain.

Nazi Military 'Hukum' To Greeks

LONDON, May 22.

German military authorities have forbidden Greeks of military age to leave Axis-occupied Greek islands in the Aegean, according to refugees arriving in Istanbul, quoted by the Independent French News Agency.

Drastic punishment is threatened for anyone disobeying the order.—Reuter.

RIOT FLARES UP AGAIN!

4 Killed And 60 Injured In City On Thursday: Curfew Enforced

POLICE OPEN FIRE TO DISPERSE CROWDS

Riots flared up and took the people of the city by surprise on Thursday night. A scare started by some hooligans led to stray cases of stabbing and assault which caused widespread panic. Armed police were promptly requisitioned and posted at strategic points and Curfew was proclaimed and is being enforced in the affected areas. At one stage the police opened fire to disperse the crowd near Duncan Street. The situation was soon brought under control, though the day's casualty list showed the staggering figure of four killed and sixty injured.

At about 9-30 p.m. the trouble started at Babu Khote Street. Soon it spread towards Pydhoni Dongri, Golpitha and Mohamad Ali Road areas.

A tense situation arose in Jambli Mohalla, where, the police had to open fire to disperse the crowds. One person is said to have received bullet wounds.

At a number of places parties of hooligans freely hurled soda water bottles and sticks and trams and buses were stoned.

By the time the situation was brought under control 60 persons were admitted in J. J. and G. T. Hospitals. So far four persons were killed in the disturbances. The condition of five lying in G. T. Hospital is reported to be serious.

80 ARRESTS IN AHMEDABAD

AHMEDABAD, May 22.

One incident of stabbing is reported this evening. About 80 arrests were made to-day bringing the total numbers of arrests to about 250 since the recrudescence of rioting in Ahmedabad.

Pandit Anandpriyaji, a Hindu leader, has been ordered to quit Ahmedabad within five hours.

Mr. C. H. Bristow, Adviser to the Governor, conferred to-day with the representatives of the Millowners' Association, Congress, Muslim League, various Mahajans and Members of the Peace Committee.—A. P.

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Britain Withdraws Air Force From Crete

LONDON, May 22.

British commanders in Crete have decided to withdraw British fighter aircraft from Crete in view of the poorness and small number of aerodromes there, revealed a British Air Ministry official during an interview to-day. He said to do otherwise would have been waste of the air forces involved.

It was impossible to develop satisfactory fighter defence from the few comparatively ill-equipped aerodromes if these are subjected to a highscale enemy air attack.

Offensive air operations by British bombers based in Egypt are, however, being carried out against aerodromes from which the enemy are making attacks.—Reuter.

AMERICA WILL ARM THOSE WHO FIGHT MENACE TO FREE PEOPLES

WASHINGTON, May 22.

President Roosevelt predicted "more and faster ships will be built" in the United States and "they will carry through open waters of the seven seas implements of war which will help destroy the menace to free peoples everywhere."

Position Of Steel Industry

NEW YORK, May 22.

The United States steel industry can "match ton for ton all the steel capacity of Germany and its stolen lands", in the opinion of Mr. Walter Tower, President of the American Iron and Steel Institute, in a speech at the institute's annual meeting.

While doing this, he said, the industry could still give civilians as much as their average consumption over the last ten years. There is no question, he said, about there being enough steel for all defence needs. The output of ingots for the year ending next week would probably exceed 76,000,000 tons which is over 25,000,000 above the 1938 level.

Mr. Tower expressed disagreement with "the self-appointed mentors of the steel industry who insist that it should be required to assume the staggering task of forced expansion when it is not clear that such expansion is needed or could be attained in time to be helpful."

A WARNING

Mr. Irving Olds, Chairman of the United States Steel Corporation, told the meeting that it was unbelievable that the United States, given a well-prepared programme and the necessary time and proper support from the American people, could not outdo anything of which Germany is capable in the way of production of essential instruments of modern warfare. He issued a warning, however, that the industry must know what was expected from it as soon as the programme was formulated or modified by the authorities in Washington.—Reuter.

Vijaylakshmi Pandit For China

ALLAHABAD, May 22.

Mrs. Vijaylakshmi Pandit, former Minister in U. P. Government, having been informed that the U. P. Government have granted passport to her to proceed to China told the Associated Press that she will have to consult the Chinese Consul about her visit to China and that she may be able to proceed to China in a month's time.

Her present programme is to leave for Bombay on May 27 to attend a meeting of the All-India Women's Association. She will return to Allahabad on the first of June and will proceed to Almora on the second.—A. P.

Britain Will Hunt Out Huns Wherever Found

PLAIN WARNING TO VICHY: DANGER IN NEW POLICY: EDEN'S CALL TO FRENCH PEOPLE

LONDON, May 22.

MR. EDEN in the House of Commons warned the French people that if the Vichy Government permitted action detrimental to British conduct of the war, Britain may no longer distinguish between occupied and unoccupied territories in the execution of military plans.

Franco-Nazi Collaboration

At question time in the House of Commons to-day Mr. Anthony Eden gave the people of France a stern warning of the serious consequences likely to follow if the Vichy Government permits action detrimental to the British Conduct of the war. Mr. Eden recalled the announcement of the agreement between Vichy and Germany which is described in Vichy as the opening of a new phase in Franco-German collaboration of which no doubt the action of the Vichy Government in allowing Syrian aerodromes to be used by German aircraft is an example. President Roosevelt has stated clearly his view of this new sinister development in the Vichy policy and the United States Government has already taken preventive action regarding French shipping in the United States ports.

VAGUE EXPLANATIONS

In confused uneasy explanations put out in Vichy it is suggested that the policy of collaboration with Germany is to be political and economic only and it has been stated that the Vichy Government have no intention of attacking Britain, still less the United States. These explanations cannot conceal that the Vichy Government have embarked upon a course which must place the resources and territories of France and her Empire increasingly at the disposal of the power which is the enemy not only of France's former Ally but of France herself.

VICHY ACTION NOTED

The British Government is sure that the French people will regard this policy as incompatible with the honour of France. Nor will they believe that the future of France and her Empire will be better served by surrendering them to Hitler's socalled New Order than by resolutely maintaining and defending their independence until the victorious Allies shall complete their liberation. The British Government must, however, take account of the acts of the Vichy Government.

WILL ATTACK ENEMY WHEREVER FOUND

If the Vichy Government, in pursuance of their declared policy of collaboration with the enemy, take action or permit action detrimental to our conduct of the war or designed to assist the enemy's war effort, we shall naturally hold ourselves free to attack the enemy wherever he may be found and we shall no longer feel bound to draw any distinction between Occupied and Unoccupied territories in execution of our military plans (cheers).

QUESTION TO FRENCHMEN

Last August we assured Gen. de Gaulle of our determination when victory is won to secure full restoration of the independence and greatness of France. It rests with the French people to determine whether to play their part in assisting those who have continued to fight for the liberation of France or whether France will henceforward serve in the ranks of Germany's satellites (cheers).

WHAT ABOUT FOOD BLOCKADE?

Mr. Mander (Liberal) asked whether it was proposed to continue the system by which food ships were permitted to cross the Atlantic and pass the British blockade for the benefit of Vichy and France.

Mr. Eden replied: "I have laid down the principles which will govern our action. Mr. Mander will not expect me to describe details of the action." —Reuter.

NAZI PENETRATION INTO FRENCH MOROCCO

LONDON, May 22.

Details of German penetration into French Morocco have become known in London. The Germans established themselves there through the medium of a Commission which is purely German in composition and includes no Italian members.

This is divided into two sections, one naval and military and the other industrial and economic. These are established at various points in the territory and a Sub-Commission has also been appointed.

The majority of the personnel of the Commission are Military Officers and it is understood that they have no lack of supplies of petrol or money.

Additionally, there is a fairly constant infiltration of tourists, several hundred of whom have already entered the French zone. These tourists keep in close contact with the German military authorities.

The establishment of the Commissions which are believed to comprise several hundred people is thought to have been fairly recent.—Reuter.

VICHY AFRAID OF BRITISH VICTORY

Meaning Of Darlan's New Policy

LONDON, May 22.

When Admiral Darlan went to Berchtesgaden the French Cabinet crossed the Rubicon. Admiral Darlan's policy is based on fear of a British victory in the end and desires to prevent it if possible. This is a fact the British Government must now reckon with, writes Reuter's correspondent.

In the circumstances it must be expected that the British Government will not stand by idly. It has already bombed Syrian airbases, thereby giving effect to the principle that it must be free to pursue the German enemy wherever he is found.

If distinction between Unoccupied and Occupied France is to be a mere fiction—as the first meeting of the French Cabinet in Paris, for instance, suggests—then no doubt the British Government will have seriously to consider extending this principle to all territories in Europe and Africa nominally under the control of the Vichy Government.

The British Government cannot be expected to be duped by fine phrases or juridical hair-splitting such as that indulged in by the Vichy Ambassador at Washington, M. Henry Haye, who claimed that the French were forced to let the Germans use the Syrian air bases under Article Eighteen of the Armistice terms.

French Factories Work For Germany

LONDON, May 22.

Further evidence has come to hand of the support which the Vichy authorities have been giving Germany writes Reuter's lobby correspondent.

So far as military help is concerned the most recent example has been the permission for use of the lower passages of the river Rhone to pass out German E-Boats into the Mediterranean.

Regarding help to Germany by French industry it is known that this help has been on a very considerable scale and in some res-

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French Tanker Intercepted

British Naval Action In Atlantic

LONDON, May 22.

The French oil tanker "Scheerzade" was intercepted by the British navy in the Atlantic.—Reuter.

DOCK STRIKE IN NORWAY

LONDON, May 22.

The Nazi Gestapo Chief, von Himmler, states the German radio, is on his way to Oslo where the dock workers have come out on strike. The workers' action arose out of an attempt to form a Fascist Trade Union, according to the Swedish newspaper "Social Demokratan".

The first development in the dispute was the arrest of the President of the Dock Workers' Union, J. Bye, who was compelled to sign a written promise not to go near the Dock again.

Two days later the followers of the Rasjonal Samling (Quisling) Party and policemen took possession of the Dock Workers' Union Office.

The Dock workers protested and negotiations were in progress when it was discovered that the Nasjonal Union had set up its own offices in the harbour.

The Dock workers have now refused to work until their own office is reopened and Bye released.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

Situation Well In Hand

CAIRO, May 22.

It is learnt to-night that British troops aided by Greek and Cretan hillsmen succeeded in keeping the situation in Crete well in hand.

Heavy German Casualties

Armed, stalwart, Cretan women famed for their beauty, now mount guard over their homes and stalk Nazi parachutists. In the confusion of one of the hardest fought battle of the war, it is impossible to estimate the casualties to date, say military circles.

The R.A.F. and the ground defences have already shot down a number of dive bombers. The Imperial troops, aided by the Greeks and hillsmen turned guerillas, have up to date succeeded in keeping the situation well in hand despite the suddenness and novelty of the attack. Enemy casualties have been undoubtedly high as many Germans were killed.

The Germans are operating a twenty-four hour ferry service between Greece and Crete which the R.A.F. is doing its best to upset by bombing enemy air bases in Greece.—Reuter.

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Municipal Office,
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No reasons will be given to nor appeals entertained from rejected candidates.

Accepted candidates will have to remit Rs. 2 as examination fee in advance, (which will not be refunded), and travel at their own expense to the place of examination. The date and time of the examination and other particulars will be notified to the accepted candidates by the Officer to whom the applications are addressed.

Successful candidates will be offered appointments as temporary routine grade Clerks as and when vacancies occur.

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INDIAN STORES DEPARTMENT.

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W. R. G. SMITH,
Commissioner of Police,
Police Commissioner's Office:
Bombay, 19th May, 1941.

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(Sd.) N. V. MODAK,
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FORMULATING SCHEME FOR SECURITY OF KARACHI

All-Party Committee Considers Proposals

KARACHI, May 21.

Proposals for the internal security of the city were considered by the Mayor's All-Party Committee this evening when a Sub-Committee of six, representing all shades of opinion and including Mr. R. K. Sidhwa (Congress) and Sheikh Abdul Majid (Muslim League), was appointed by the Mayor, Mr. M. H. Gazdar, as Chairman.

The Sub-Committee was entrusted with the task of drafting a detailed security programme which will be placed before the Government for its consideration and adoption.

The meeting opined that it was necessary to formulate a scheme in advance for the protection of the city's vital services including water works and drainage, during an emergency and requested the Sub-Committee to draft proposals in this connection.

It was also considered necessary to provide air raid shelters for public use, the cost of which it held should be borne by the Central Government. The Committee will shortly be waiting in a deputation on the Premier to place before him various proposals and request him to approach the Central Government for the sanction of funds.

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Leader Requests Huq To Bring About Shia-Sunni Settlement

LUCKNOW, May 22.

The trial of a further batch of 219 Sunnis arrested in connection with the Madh-e-Sahaba agitation in Lucknow was held yesterday in the camp jail.

Eight of the accused who apologised were released. The remaining 211 under trials were sentenced to three months' hard labour and a fine of Rs. 25 each with the alternative of a further period of six weeks' imprisonment.

Maulana Abdul Subhan, the present Dictator of Madh-e-Sahaba movement, it is learnt, has addressed a letter to Mr. A. K Fazlul Huq who is contemplating to visit Lucknow to effect a settlement between the Shias and Sunnis.

He points out in the course of the letter that there is no dispute between the Shias and Sunnis. There is no need for negotiations between the two communities. The dispute is one between the Muslims and the Government.—A. P.

SUNNI DEPUTATION TO MEET HUQ

LUCKNOW, May 22.

It is understood that a deputation of prominent Sunnis of the city, not connected with the Madh-e-Sahaba agitation, have decided to go to Calcutta and wait on Mr. Fazlul Huq, the Bengal Premier, to persuade him to come to Lucknow and use his good offices peacefully to settle the Madh-e-Sahaba controversy.

It is believed that the deputation will leave for Calcutta as soon as Mr. Huq returns from Darjeeling.—A P.

Nationalist Muslims To Hold Conferences In Bihar

PATNA, May 21.

Five Nationalist Muslim Political Conferences will be held at five different places in the province between May 24 and June 5. Dr. Rajendra Prasad will attend all these conferences and Mr. Abdul Quayum Khan, M. L. A. (Central), Mr. Jafar Shah and Khan Mir Halali will preside over the different Conferences.

The Bihar Provincial Jamiat-ul-Ulma will also hold five Conferences simultaneously with the Political Conferences and work jointly with the organisers of the Nationalist Muslim Political Conferences.—United Press.

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20,000 Workers On Strike

Indore Labour Situation Aggravates

(From Our Correspondent.)

INDORE, May 21.

"The labour situation in Indore has again taken a serious turn and all the twenty thousand labourers of Indore are on general strike.

Nearly 150 labour workers are in the State Jail and although there was a honourable settlement for the present the Government did not release these workers.

The workers gave an ultimatum to the Millowners and the Government that they should release all the workers otherwise they will be compelled to take any active step for their release. The Government only released Shree Sundrabai Mosi and some ten others and decided to prosecute the rest with the result that they have gone on strike.

PROMPT ACTION WILL BE TAKEN AGAINST MISCHIEF-MAKERS

Sind Home Minister's Assurance To Public

KARACHI, May 22.

Sir Ghulam Hussain Hidayatullah, Home Minister, in a Press note emphasises that the first care of the Ministry is the preservation of inter-communal harmony in Sind and the maintenance of law and order, and assures the public that prompt action will be taken if any Leader of any party in the Province by public speeches renders himself liable to action under the law.—A. P.

POONA MILL DEADLOCK Strikers Asked To Appear Before Industrial Court

(From Our Correspondent).

POONA, May 21.

The Industrial Court of Bombay has issued notice on Gokale and other strikers of Raja Bahadur Mills, Poona who have been on strike for the last 22 days to the effect that they should present themselves on the third of June before Mr. B. K. Dalvi Member Industrial Court in Poona, on an application of the management of the mills that the present strike should be declared illegal.

75 P. C. PASSES IN LAHORE MATRIC EXAMINATION

LAHORE, May 22.

The results of Matriculation Examination of the Punjab University which were announced this morning show that 30,042 students appeared for the examination of whom 22,594 have been declared successful, recording a pass percentage of 75.05 as against 70.8 last year.

Mr. K. Lalit of the D. A. V. High School, Lahore, stands first in the province, securing 735 marks, out of a total of 850.—A. P.

Madras Ex-Corporators To Seek Re-election

MADRAS, May 22.

In pursuance of the instructions given by Mahatma Gandhi the City Congress Municipal Party at its meeting last night decided that all the resigned Congress councillors should stand for re-election for their respective divisions.

It was also decided to set up candidates for two more divisions which have fallen vacant since the resignation of the Congress councillors.

At the outset Mr. K. Venkatswami Naidu, leader of the party explained to the members the interview he and Mr. Adikeshavulu Naicker had with Mahatma Gandhi and the conditions under which permission had been granted to them for contesting the elections.

Mr. Naidu will shortly issue a statement explaining the conditions laid down by Mahatma Gandhi in this connection.—A. P.

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FRIDAY, MAY 23

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres, (886 kc/s.)

5-0 p.m. Gangu Bai 5-20 Bheempalasi of the Violin. 5-30 Faiyaz Mohammad. 5-45 Master Mumtaz and Party. 6-0 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Special Announcements 6 15 Mohammad Husain of Jaipur. 6-30 Lachhi Ram. 6-45 M Siddiq 7-0 Thumri on the Violin. 7-10 Manohar. 7-15 If I had lived then 4. 7-30 Maud Aur Ghazal. 7-45 Faiyaz Mohammad. 8-0 Gangu Bai 8-10 Naghma-I-Masarrat. 8-15 For Villagers Only 9-0 News in Hindustani 9-20 News in English 9-30 B.B.C. News Relay. 9-45 Lachhi Ram. 10-0 Master Mumtaz and Party 10-20 Husn Lal 10 30 Gangu Bai 10-45 News in English

Bombay I—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s.)

7-30 a.m. Bismil Qawwal and Party. 7-45 T N. Ranade. 8-5 News in Marathi. 8-15 News in Gujarati. 8-25 Amir Bai Karnataki 8 40 News in Hindustani. 8-50 News in English. 9-0 Haji Mohammad. 9-15 Sitar and Jaltarang. 9-25 Naat. 12-30 p.m. Naat Aur Qawwali. 12 57 News in Hindustani 1-0 Film Music. 1-10 Geets. 1-20 Mutual Understanding. 1-30 News in English 1-35 Lunch Hour Music. 5-0 To-morrow. 5-5 Bismil Qawwal and Party. 5-20 Nagaswaram 2-25 News in Marathi. 5-30 News in Gujarati. 5-35 Khadim Husain. 6-0 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani 6-10 Amir Bai Karnataki. 6-30 Aunty Hilda's Happy Half Hour. 7-0 Berlinchya Batmya. 7-15 Ditties in Duets 7-25 Local News and Announcements. 7-30 Haji Mohammad. 7-45 Gat Tora on Tabla 7-55 News in Marathi. 8-10 News in Gujarati. 8-25 Topic of the Day. 8-30 World Affairs. 9-45 Sound News. 9-0 News in Hindustani 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B.B.C. News Relay. 10-0 Qawwali. 10-10 Marathi Pad. 10-20 Bhajan. 10-30 Khayal.

Bombay II—Programme

41.44 metres (7.240 kc/s.)

7-30 to 8-5 a.m. As in Bombay I 8-0 Picked from Pardesi. 8-15 Sarangi Recital. 8-25 to 8-40 As in Bombay 1. 8-40 Khadim Husain 9-0 to 9 30 As in Bombay 1.

41.44 metres (7.240 kc/s).

12-30 to 12-57 p.m. As in Bombay 1 12-57 Mushafari. 1-0 to 1-30 As in Bombay 1. 1-30 Musical Interlude. 1-35 to 2-25 As in Bombay 1.

41.44 metres (7.240 kc/s.)

5-0 to 5-25 As in Bombay 1. 5-25 Master Govind. 5-35 to 6-0 As in Bombay 1. 6 0 Tilang on two Violins 6-10 to 7-15 As in Bombay 1 7-15 Interval.

61 48 metres (4.880 kc/s)

7-30 Commercial News. 7-45 to 7-55 As in Bombay 1. 7-55 T. N. Ranade 8-15 Bismil Qawwal and Party. 8 25 to 9-0 As in Bombay 1. 9-0 Amir Bai Karnataki 9-20 Purushottam. 9-30 Maneck Bhagat 9-45 Sebastian Vaz and his Orchestra 10-15 Dunsfan Roberts. 10-25 Sebastian Vaz and his Orchestra.

Calcutta I—Programme

370.4 metres (810 kc/s.)

(Add 24 minutes to all timings for Calcutta Time.)

5-0 p.m For the Children 5-45 News in Bengali. 5-50 Satiendra Nath Banerjee. 6-0 News in English. 6-6 Girls and Boys come out to Play. 6-40 Nimai Sannyas. 8-40 Announcements in Bengali. 8-45 News in Bengali. 9-0 Samaresh Chowdhuri. 9-15 Announcements in English. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B.B.C. News Relay. 10-0 Ratnamala Sen 10-10 Uma Chatterjee. 10-20 Samaresh Chowdhuri.

Madras I—Programme

211 metres (1,420 kc/s.)

4 0 p.m For Children. 4-30 Tea Time Music. 5-0 Emani Sankara Sastri. 5-45 Jantra Sammelanam. 6-0 News in English. 6-5 Shrimati S Dharmambal. 6-30 Emani Sankara Sastri. 7-0 Ulagapokku. 7-15 Commercial News. 7-20 News in Telugu. 7-35 News in Tamil. 7-50 Shrimati D. K. Pattammal 8-30 World Affairs. 8-45 Shrimati D K. Pattammal. 9-15 Local News and Announcements. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B.B.C. News Relay. 10-0 to 10-30 As in Delhi.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE

G. I. P. Railway

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Madras Mail	6-00	22-00
Peshawar Express	6-15	22-45
Calcutta Mail via Nagpur ...	8-45	18-15
Calcutta Mail via Chi'eoki ...	9-20	20-30
Madras Express	10-15	14-30
Poona Mail	10-30	17-30
Punjab Mail	11-30	17-45
Nagpur Express	15-00	21-00
Poona Express	19-20	08-05
Allahabad Express	20-00	07-00
Poona Fast Passenger	21-45	12-00

B. B. & C. I. Railway
(Arrivals at and Departures from Bombay Central.)

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Ahmedabad Passenger	5-35	13-05
Delhi Express	6-00	22-15
Gujarat Mail	7-25	22-00
Kathiawar Mail	6-50	21-30
Frontier Mail	8-15 (Mon.)	21-15 (Sat.)
The Flying Ranee, Buisar	*9-15	15-35
The Flying Ranee, Surat ...	*9 48	15-10
The Flying Ranee, Surat (Except Monday)	10-58	00-00
The Flying Ranee Surat (Except Saturday)	00-00	18-05
Ahmedabad Passenger ...	14-15	22-30
Kathiawar Express ...	19-05	8-45

*If Monday is a Bank Holiday, these trains will run on Tuesday

COTTON PARITY

Broach J/A below N. Y. July 365 cent pts. at 331

New Broach A/M below N. Y. May 466 cent pts. at 331.

LONDON RUBBER.

London, May 21.

Smoked sheets standard bibbed per lb. 13-7/8 buyers.

SUGAR MARKET

Bombay, May 22

Fine White Java sugar per cwt:—
From Bond Rs. 9-12-0
Shipment March Rs. 9-0-0 F B H
Shipment May June Rs. 9-2-0 F B H
Indian sugars ready :—
Ready (ordinary) Rs. 14-0-0 to 14-10-0
Ready (large grain) Rs. 14-12-0 to 15-4-0
Tone :—Quiet.

Renewed Speculative Buying In N. Y. Cotton Market

TRADE COVERING AND WALL-STREET SUPPORT

Brokers Confidently Expect 14 Cents Soon

BOMBAY, May 22.

On Wednesday the New York Cotton Market was very steady on renewed buying on talk of freezing Government loan stocks and improvement in securities.

There is no reliable information beyond market talk of freezing Government loan stocks and if this proves correct, there will be acute shortage of free cotton and prices will advance to about 16 cents which is the parity level. A cable received from Liverpool states that New York textile are active but there are delivery difficulties, some New York brokers confidently expect 14 cent cotton soon.

There is a large supply of American cotton but all the cotton is under Government loan and if it is frozen, there will be an automatic corner with prices going beyond expectations of ardent bulls. This means that there will be moderate increase in the cost of living in the state and to that extent, there will be general inflation. It is yet not known whether the Washington administration supports such a move but with strong agitation for higher loans, the Government will have little choice in the matter.

NEW YORK MARKET

The New York cotton market opened steadily. Despite revival of heavy selling by leading Spot houses against repossessions, prices slowly advanced on trade covering and Mill and Wall Street buying with October longs transferring to distant months anticipating a tight supply situation late in next season

The market opened at about the lowest level of the day at a rise of 6 points with July 13.04. There was steady general buying and July advanced to 13.09 which was the highest level. Thereafter the market was quiet and finally closed at a net rise of 4 to 9 points. Spot cotton prices advanced 8 points at 13.47c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was also steady with a steady buying flow and closed at a rise of 5 to 11 points. Spot cotton prices advanced 11 points at 12.88c. per lb.

The present rise is mainly due to prospects of higher loan and to that extent it is artificial but more cotton is being used in American Mills and the consumption this season is likely to be a record one. If the European war continues, prospects of consumption will remain bright and King cotton will once more in the front line.

PRIVATE CABLES.

New York July highest 13.09+11 (1-5 p.m.) lowest 10.04+06 (10 a.m.)

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their Foreign Friends:—

New York.—Market advanced on trade and speculative buying.

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, May 21.

July	13.06+08
October	13.20+09
December	13.27+08
January	13.27+08
March	13.33+06
May	13.33+04
Middling Spot	13.47+08

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, May 21.

July	13.13+11
October	13.27+08
December	13.34+06
January	13.33+06
March	13.39+05
May	13.41+06
Middling Spot	12.88+11

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, May 21.

	11-00 CALL	NOON CALL
July		13.04
October		13.18
December		13.26

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS.

New York, May 21.

	Bales.
Day's receipts at all U. S. Ports	14,000
Day's exports to Great Britain	Nil
Day's exports to The Continent	Nil
Day's exports to China and Japan	Nil

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, May 22

The local market is quietly steady after a storm. The corner of Broach A/M is a success and now the Exchange authorities are keenly watching developments but circumstances favour bulls. The position of American cotton is encouraging and while it is argued that there is no connection between New York and Bombay owing to war conditions, but we believe short sales risky in Bombay. There is utter shortage of tenderable cotton against Broach J/A while New crop Broach A/M is 460 points below New York. Thus there is risk in going short in any position.

Yesterday after the close of the market, prices were depressed but with a rise of 8 points in New York futures, the local market opened firm at Rs. 247/8. There was moderate business and prices after declining to Rs. 246/8/ steadied at Rs. 247. New Broach A/M opened at Rs. 229 and declined to Rs. 227/8 while Old crop Broach A/M was quoted at Rs. 297. The tone was steady.

Quotations at 1-15 p.m. were as under:—

Broach J/A declined to Rs. 245/4 but with active buying in new crop, the market advanced to Rs. 248/8 and new Broach was quoted at Rs. 232 The market closed at 5 p.m. as under:—

	Rs.	a.	p.
F G M G BROACH:—			
April/May 1941 ...	294	0	0
July/August ...	248	12	0
April/May 1942 ...	232	0	0
FINE M G OOMRA:—			
May	172	4	0
July	174	4	0
December/January ...	181	12	0
F G M G BENGAL:—			
May ...	133	0	0
July ...	135	0	0
December/January ...	141	0	0

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES.

Bombay, May 22.

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY OF INDIAN COTTON.

Since 1st September

In full-pressed Bales.	Yesterday	This year	Last year
Khandesh	13	37,977	55,201
Central India ...		136,453	108,938
Barsi and Nagar	772	112,486	112,732
Hyderabad/Gaorani	65	43,000	47,621
Berar	315	303,318	314,276
Central Provinces ...		75,624	75,842
Total Oomras	1,165	827,658	714,610
Dholeras	2,261	88,598	87,395
N.-W. Provinces	...	1,306	25,875
Rajputana	...	5,396	34,420
Sind-Punjab	2,383	511,238	344,867
Broach	11,382	266,380	402,849
Coompta and Dharwar	873	89,823	40,267
Westerns-Northerns	950	78,241	31,253
Cocanada		239	86
Tinnevelly and Cambodia	105	2,825	1,355
Total	19,119	1,871,798	1,682,977
Arr. by road to 15th May 41		293,133	2776,387

COTTON ROOM RATES.

Bombay, May 22.

Spr-fine	Extra Sup.	Fine	F. Good	Good
M.G. Bengal U.P.	135	133	131	120
do Punjab	145	133	131	129
do Rajputana	142	140	138	136
do Oomra No. 3	172	169	166	163 ...
do C.P. No. 1	204	201	198	195 ...
do C.P. No. 2	182	179	176	173 ...
do Broach No. 2 ...	298	295	292	289
do Punj Ameri ...	341	338	335	332
do Surat ...	409	406	403	400
do Rajpipla ...	404	401	398	395
do Navsari ...	419	416	413	410

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, May 21.

	High est	Low- est	Closing at 5 p.m
Broach A/M	297	294	295
,, J/A	248-1/2	245	245-1/4
,, A/M 1942	228	225	226
Oomra May	166-1/2	164-1/2	165
,, July	168-1/2	166-1/2	167
,, D/J	175-1/2	174	174
Bengal May	129	128	128
,, July	131-1/4	129-1/2	129-1/2
Bengal D/J	138-1/2	137	137

Steady Improvement In Demand For Yarn From Consuming Centres

Bombay, May 21.

The yarn market has remained firm and fairly active throughout whole past week. Although prices have not shown any material improvement, the undertone has been impressive. Enquiries from several important consuming centres throughout the whole country have been showing steady improvement. Substantial rise in cotton prices during the last few days has created increased confidence amongst the dealers and consumers and it looks as though the prices in Indian yarns will show gradual improvement in course of time. Mills naturally find it difficult to accept any fresh business at lower prices and as the consuming centres have been yet offering very low prices no fresh business of importance has so far taken place. Reports have been received that there have been no sufficient stocks of Indian yarns in any of the consuming centres and that if the prices continue to remain steady at or about this level, during the next few days, demand from all over India is likely to improve still further. As regards Export markets there have been further improvement in enquiries and in many cases fresh business is quite possible but the scarcity of freight is a great handicap. Even several goods against previous orders have been awaiting shipment and naturally exporters are not inclined to commit themselves further, pending clarification of this matter. Future tendency continues to remain slightly more hopeful than for the last several weeks.

ENGLISH YARNS

There has been no business in this class of yarns owing to the War.

JAPANESE & SHANGHAI YARNS

Prices in both Japanese and Shanghai yarns have shown further improvement during the week. Fluctuations have not been very wide but the undertone has remained very steady. Speculative turnover in Mercerised yarns has shown further improvement and at every rise in prices confidence is being gradually restored. Fresh forward business with Japan has been getting more and more difficult due to much higher prices quoted by Japanese spinners and also due to the present political situation. Most of the arrivals by the incoming steamers have already gone into liquidation on account of satisfactory demand from consuming centres. Scarcity of waggons has been causing serious inconvenience to the Trade and as a result turnover in the local market is seriously affected. Exchange has remained steady and unchanged during the week.

ARTIFICIAL SILK YARNS

There has been a steady improvement in demand both in artificial silk yarns as well as in Staple Fibre yarns from almost all consuming districts during the week and prices therefore have shown a tendency to improve further. It has been reported that the stocks of Staple fibre yarns in the Punjab market are very low and therefore a heavy premium has been paid for ready goods or for goods of nearer deliveries. As regards artificial silk yarns, enquiries from the mills have shown distinct signs of improvement and scarcity is being felt in well-known qualities both in bright as well as dull yarns. Fresh forward business with Japan is very restricted owing to considerably higher prices quoted by Japanese Spinners probably due to continued scarcity of raw materials and also due to recent political developments. Arrivals during the week were fairly heavy specially in artificial silk yarns but almost all of them have gone into liquidation. Future tendency is hopeful

INDIAN YARNS

There has been a good deal of turnover on the Bombay Yarn Exchange Ltd., during the week especially in 20 1/2s where prices have shown further improvement to the extent of about Rs. 2 to Rs. 3 per bale probably due to recent improvement in cotton and also due to improved enquiries from consuming centres. In 10 1/2s however, enquiries were very limited on account of absence of improvement in coarse cotton. The future outlook remains hopeful.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, May 22.

2 3/4 per cent 1948/52 Loan 97-7
3 1/2 per cent G P Notes 95-5
3 per cent 1941 Bonds 100-6
3 per cent 1951/54 Bonds 99-11
3 per cent 1963/65 Loan 94-12
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan 102-9
4 per cent 1960/70 Loan 108-8
4 per cent 1943 Bonds 104-4
3 per cent War Bonds 101-10
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 Loan 112-10

TAX FREE LOANS

5 per cent 1945/55 Loan 110-12
4 per cent 1963/65 Mysore 115
5 per cent 1955 Mysore 127

CORPURATION DEBENTURES

4 per cent B P T 1941 108
4 per cent M Deb 1974 107-8
5 per cent M Deb 1959 115-8
6 per cent M Deb 1954 127
6 per cent K P T 1956 127

Tone:—Steady.

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay, May 22.

Yesterday London Gold was unchanged at £8-8-0. Dollar Sterling cross rate and 4.02-1/2 to 4.03-1/2 at London and 4.03-1/4 at New York.

London Spot Silver was 1/16d. down at 23 7/16d. and forward was unchanged at 23 7/16d. New York Spot Silver was unchanged at 34 3/4 cents. Shanghai T. T. on London was quoted 3 5/16. London Bombay Spot and forward Silver parity was Rs. 62/8. The local market is keeping quiet with utter absence of any speculative activity. Prices are fluctuating within a narrow range. There was scattered selling after steady opening. Gold opened at Rs. 42-4-9 and declined to Rs 42-4-0 while Silver opened at Rs. 62-7-0 and eased off to Rs. 62-5-0 on scattered selling. Quotations were as under:—

	Gold			Silver		
Ready	42	4	0	62	5	0
Jeth	42	4	0	62	5	0
Sovereigns	28	8	6			

TEJI MANDI PREMIUMS

Bombay, May 22.

Wheat Sept	0	6	3
Linseed Sept.	0	10	3
Gr. Nut August	3	2	0
Cast. seed Sept.	3	8	0
Cott. seed Sept.	1	8	0
Silver 1st Semt	0	11	0
2nd Semt	1	5	0
Gold 1st Semt	0	7	0
2nd Semt	0	12	0

AMERICAN COTTON FIGURES.

Bombay, May 22.

F. P. Bales.	1940-41	1939-40
Receipts to date 21-5-41	37070000	73750000
,, Yesterday do	14000	6000
Export to date do	926000	6004000
Stock at Ports 16-5-41	3344000	2629000
,, Interior Towns do	2694000	2316000
,, Liverpool 16-5-41	...	...
Visible Supply 16-5-41	...	...
Quantity in sight do	10821000	12963000
,, out of ,, 16-5-41	...	...

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS.

Bombay, May 22.

Bengal Fine	131-34
Berar	165-68
C. P. 1	197-99
C. P. 2	172-75
Khandesh	137-49
Muglai	152-55
Broach	237-47
Punjab S. G. 289F	377-87
Punjab R. G 289F	352-57
Punjab R. G4F.	292-99

LONDON SILVER.

London, May 21.

Spot	23-7/16
Forward	23-7/16

LONDON GOLD.

London, May 21.

Gold bars fine per oz £8/8/0

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, May 22.

LONDON—
Banks buying 90 days/St. 1/6 7/32 two months.
Banks buying 90 days/St. 1/6 1/4 three months.
Banks buying 90 days/St. 1/6 9/32 four months.

B. C. RATES—
T T 1/6 29/32; D D 1/6 29/32
Banks selling T T 1/6 15/16; D D 1/6 15/16
Banks buying T T 1/6d; D D 1/6 3/32

NEW YORK—
Ex-rates Dol 4.02 1/2-3 1/2
Banks selling T T Rs. 333 1/4; D D Rs. 333 1/4
Banks buying T T Rs. 330; D D Rs. 328 1/2

MONTREAL—
Ex-rates Dol 4,43/47
Banks selling T T Rs. 303; D D Rs. 304
Banks buying T T Rs. 297 3/4; D D Rs. 996 1/4

JAVA—
Ex-rates Gld 7.58/62
Banks selling T T Gld 55 3/4; D D Gld 56
Banks buying T T Gld 57 1/2; D D Gld 57 1/2

JAPAN—
Ex-rates Sh 1/2 1/2
Banks selling T T Rs. 81 1/2; D D Rs. 81½
Banks buying T T Rs. 77 1/4

BERNE—
Ex-rates Fcs 17.30/40
Banks selling T T Fcs 125 3/4
Banks buying T T Fcs 131 1/2

STOCKHOLM—
Ex-rates K 16.85/95
Banks selling T T K 123; D D K 123
Banks buying T T K 128; D D K 128

SINGAPORE—
Ex-rates Sh 2/4 5/32 7/32
Banks selling T T Rs. 158; D D Rs. 158
Banks buying T T Rs. 155; D D Rs. 155

HONGKONG—
Ex rates Sh 1/3 1/32
Banks selling T T Rs. 85 1/4; D D 84 1/2
Banks buying T T Rs. 81 1/2; D D Rs. 81½

SHANGHAI—
Ex-rates Sh 0/3 15/32
Banks selling T T Rs. 20 1/4; D D Rs. 19 1/4
Banks buying T T Rs. 17; D D Rs. 17

MEXICO—
Ex-rates Pes 19.5 21.5
Banks selling T T Rs. 67.27; D D Rs. 66.27
Banks buying T T Rs. 65.04; D D Rs. 62.04

LISBON—
Ex-rates Esc 99.80 100.90
Banks selling T T Esc 7.35; D D Esc 7.35
Banks buying T T Esc 7.55; D D Esc 7.55

NEW YORK—
Ex-rates Dol 4.03 1/4

JAPAN—
Banks buying 60 days 76 1/2
Tone of Sterling Exchange :—Steady.
Gold £8/8/0 Ready
New York Silver 34 3/4
London Silver 23 1/2 Ready; 23 7/16 forward
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent
London Discounts 6 months 1 1/4 per cent.
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.
Money :—Call 1/4 per cent.
1 to 3 months 1/2 per cent.
6 months 3/4 per cent.
Tone of Money Market :—Easy.

LONDON SEEDS.

London, May 21.

Wheat Razario Sante Fe	20/9 May/June quoted
Wheat Barleta Russo	20/9 May/June quoted
Wheat South Australian	27/6 May/June quoted

Improved Demand For Tata Steel Shares

COTTON MILL SHARES STEADY

Small Replacement Support

Bombay, May 22

The local share bazar was fairly steady with scattered buying. The market is confidently looking for conversion of Tata Steel Defds into ordinary shares and there has been recently steady demand for Tata Steel Defd shares as the expected ratio is 5 1/2 ordinary shares. This belief is having effect on the market and ordinary shares remain neglected. If the scheme to convert Defds into ordinary shares comes into force, speculation in Steel shares will be reduced considerably and we will have steadier price movement.

There was nothing interesting in the market to encourage speculative interest. Scattered buying here and there resulted into small improvement in quotations. Trading for the next settlement will begin on the 29th instant and in the meantime forward trading on the Indian Stock Exchange will commence on the 28th instant. Thus operators are inclined to await possible effect.

Early offerings were well absorbed and the Wall Street market resumed at levels slightly above previous close but did not penetrate an apparent ceiling. Very narrow gains were general. U. S. Steel shares closed 1/4 down at 53 5/8 and Anaconda Copper Mining shares were unchanged at 26 dollars.

Tata Steel Defd shares opened at Rs. 1795 and after declining to Rs. 1790 improved to Rs. 1810. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 352 and after declining to Rs. 350 improved to Rs. 352. Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 998 and after declining to Rs. 997 advanced to Rs. 1003/12. Associated Cement shares were steady at Rs. 137/12. The market was steady and Steel Defds changed hands at Rs. 1815.

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Bombay, May 22.

Bombay Dyeing (991/4) 998, 3.01, 997, 1003, 1001, 1006, 1007
Century (380) 381, 379, 384, 382, 384, 383/8
Central India (276) 278, 279/8
Kohinoor (385) 387, 389, 387, 391/8
New Great (368) 368, 367
Simplex (96) 97/8
Swadeshi (286) 269, 270, 269, 272, 270/8
Associated Cement (137/9) 137/8, 138
Andhra (1885) 1885
Tram. Ord. (132/8) 132/8
Tata Hydro (178) 178
Tata Power (1545) 1545
T. Steel Dfd. (1785) 1795, 1802, 1793, 1810, 1806, 1812
T. Steel Ord (350/8) 352, 350, 353, 352/8, 352
Tata Steel 2nd Pref. (147/8) 147/8, 147/12
Bellapur (199) 200
B. Steam (309) 309
B. Burma (426/4) 431, 430, 432, 427, 341, 432

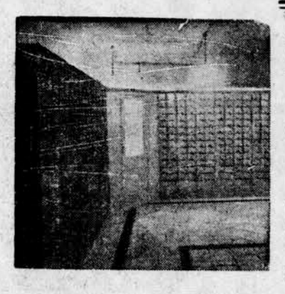
7 1/2 p.c. Tata Steel 2nd	.....	147 12
7 p.c. Vishnu	.....	753 12
DEBENTURES		
3 3/4 p.c. Andhra Valley	.....	101 4
6 p.c. Andhra Valley	...	101 4
4 p.c. Bom Telephone	...	51 8
5 p.c. Sholapur	.....	71 2

LONDON EXCHANGES.

Bombay, May 22.

T. T. London on:—

New York	4.02-1/2-4.03-1/2
Madrid	40.50
Montreal	4.43/4.47
Berne	17.30/17.40
Stockholm	16,85/16.95



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INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, May 22.

There was an improvement in the prices on the market to-day with an increased buying interest. Opening Rs. 10 higher at 1775 Tata Deferreds, after a slight reaction to 1770, advanced to 1790. Tata Ordinaries opened better at 349-8 and after touching 348 improved to 351-8. Bombay Dyeings evoked better buying enquiries and touched 980 but later closed at 975. Indian Irons closed better at 28-14.

The following were the important quotations on the Exchange, to-day :—

Tata Deferreds (1765) 1775 80 70 90
Tata Ordinaries (348-8) 349-8 50 48 51-8
Tata Ordinary 351/8; Tata Deferred 1790; Indian Iron 28/14; Bombay Dyeing 975; Century 363/12; Central India 270; Kohinoor 381/4; Associated Cement 135/8; Bombay Burma 420; Scindia Steam 19; Tata Hydro 173/12, Reserve Bank 102/8; Imperial Bank F P 1547/8; Central Bank 42/4; Bank of India 139; 3 1/2 per cent Paper 95/6

TEXTILE SHARES

Bombay, May 22.

100 Ahm. Advance	...	265	0
250 BOMBAY DYEING	...	1007	8
100 CENTURY	...	383	8
100 CENTRAL INDIA	...	279	8
100 COLABA	...	162	0
100 Coorla	.....	103	4
250 David	.....	37	8
250 Dawn	.....	322	8
1 E. D. Sassoon Def.	...	1	2
100 FINLAY X. D.	...	172	0
100 GOKAK	...	188	8
1000 Hindustan	...	2190	0
100 Indore	.....	76	0
100 Khatau	.....	148	12
100 KOHINOOR	...	391	8
250 LAXMI X. D.	...	470	0
100 MORARJI	.....	206	0
250 Model	.....	85	0
50 MYSORE	.....	110	-
200 NEW GREAT	.....	367	0
100 Oosmanshani	.....	60	0
100 Phoenix	.....	280	0
25 Sassoon Silk	...	85	0
1000 Sholapur	.....	2825	0
50 SIMPLEX	.....	97	8
100 SWADESHI	...	270	8
100 SWAN	...	181	0
500 Vishnu	...	1212	8
1000 Western	...	1150	0
BANKS			
50-100 BARODA	.....	106	4
25-50 CENTRAL	.....	42	8
500 IMPERIAL	.....	1547	8
125-500 Imp. Contrys.	...	377	8
50-100 India	...	139	8
100 RESERVE BANK	...	102	4
5 UNION	.....	6	4
CEMENTS			
100 ASSOCIATED	...	137	12
INSURANCE			
100 Empire	.....	651	4
15-100 JUPITER	.....	13	8
20 Mercantile	.....	62	8
15-75 NEW INDIA	.....	42	0
200 Oriental	.....	3852	8
10-50 Vulcan	.....	8	9
ELECTRIC			
100 AHBD OLD	.....	171	14
1000 ANDHRA VALLEY	...	1885	0
10 AJMER	.....	12	1
50 BOMBAY TRAM	.....	132	8
100 Bombay Suburban	.....	175	10
10 Broach	.....	13	2
100 Karachi	...	215	4
100 Poona	.....	213	2
100 Surat	.....	175	0
100 TATA HYDRO	.....	178	0
1000 TATA POWER	...	1545	0
RAILWAYS			
500 Ahmedabad Prantij	...	8/1	4
100 C. Province	...	104	8
100 Dhond Baramati	.....	104	-
100 Gujarat	...	100	8
100 Mandra Bhon	.....	104	-
100 Pachora Jamner	.....	63	-
100 Sara Sirajgunj	.....	103	-
500 Tapti Valley	...	647	8
MININGS			
9 Burma Corporation	...	4	6
10 Indian Copper	.....	1	15 0
10 Indian Iron and Steel	...	28	14
10 SHIVRAJPUR	...	28	8
30 TATA STEEL DEF.	...	1812	8
75 TATA STEEL ORD.	...	352	8
10 Steel Corporation	...	17	14
MISCELLANEOUS			
100 ALCUCK	...	557	8
10 Air Services	.....	3	8
50 BELAPUR SUGAR	...	200	0
200 Bombay Safe Dep.	...	595	0
250 BOMBAY STEAM	...	309	0
125 B. Burma	.....	432	8
50 B. Burma Cont.	...	151	4
8sh. Br. B. Petrol	...	3	1 9
50 BOMBAY TELEPHONE	.....	86	0
100 IND. BELACHING	...	124	8
50 Ind. Invest Trust	...	44	-
100 Indian Radio Def.	.....	527	8
100 Indian Radio Ord	.....	522	3
100 Port Canning	.....	87	12
30 PREMIER CON.	...	85	0
15 SCINDIA	.....	19	0
255 Tata Oil	.....	39	0
100 Wimco	.....	192	0
PREFERENCE			
7 p.c. Andhra Valley	.....	1540	0
6 p.c. Bombay Steam	.....	313	12
7 p.c. Bom. Tram (T. F.)	.....	75	8
5 p.c. Central India (T. F.)	.....	637	0

COTTON:

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES

JULY 1941

New York, May 22.

Previous closing	13.06
To-day's opening	13.10
Difference	+04

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, May 22.

New York cotton showed improved sentiment with prospects of freezing of Government Loan stocks encouraging subsequently. Prices fructuated irregularly under alternate bouts of buying and selling.

Trading in July began at 13.10 i.e., four points higher than last closing. Prices advanced on increased trade and local buying but spot house selling intervened however undertone remained good.

The following are to-day's opening ranges in New York cotton :—

July (13.05/04) 13.10/09
October (13.18/18) 13.24/23
December (13.25/25) 13.30/30

LONDON COMMODITIES

London, May 22

Castorseeds unquoted
Linseed Bombay Calcutta May June (£18 9/16) 18 9/16
Linseed La Plata June (£11 3/4) £11 3/4
Groundnut Coromandal May June (£17 1/4) £17 1/4

JUTES

Dundee May (£47) £47
Lightning May (£43) £43

RUBBER

Spot (14 1/8 buyers) 14 1/8
Forward October/December (13 15/16) 13 15/16

LONDON METALS

Tin (266 1/2 buyers 266 3/4 sellers) 266 1/4 buyers 266 1/2 sellers.
Electrolytic Copper (£62) £62
Lead (£25) £25
Glasgow Iron No. 3 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

EXCHANGES:

CROSS RATES

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON

New York, May 22.

Previous closing	4.03 1/4
To-day's opening	4.03 1/4

T. T LONDON ON NEW YORK

London, May 22.

Previous closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's opening	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, May 22.

London Exchange opened with the sterling/dollar at 4.02.50 to 4.03.50, which is officially fixed rate.

LONDON BULLION

LONDON GOLD

London, May 22

London Gold (£8-8-0) £8-8-0

LONDON SILVER

London, May 22.

Spot (23 7/16) 23 7/16
Forward (23 7/16d) 23 7/16

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1-5 31/32) 1-5 31/32
Paris on Bombay not quoted
New York on Milan not quoted
New York on Bombay (30.33) 30.33
London on Shanghai (0-3 5/32 to 0-3 15/32) 0-3 5/32 to 0-3 15/32
London on Kobe (1-2 to 1-2 1/2) 1-2 to 1-2 1/2.

DISCOUNTS

3 months (1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent.
4 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent.
6 months (1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent.

BULLION AND SEEDS

Bombay, May 22.

There was no trading during the night session

Quiet In Ahmedabad

Bristow Goes Round City: Reports Of Firing Denied

AHMEDABAD, May 22.

Ahmedabad passed a quiet night except for two cases of minor fires reported in one locality. Little damage was caused

The posting of the military is tending to increase confidence. Mr. C. H. Bristow, Adviser to the Governor of Bombay, accompanied by the Collector and Divisional Commissioner toured the town.

Reports of police firing on Tuesday night are officially denied.

Most of the mills are working to-day. The Sarani Kamdar Association has issued a statement saying that the Sarani workers, who are not attending the mills owing to panic, are being persuaded to attend the mills and resume work.—A. P.

Timber Depot Set On Fire

AHMEDABAD, May 22.

It is reported that last night a timber depot in Saraspur was set on fire by some hooligans. The Fire Brigade immediately arrived and extinguished the fire.

Before this incident took place a hotel caught fire accidentally.—United Press.

DACCA INQUIRY PERSONNEL

DARJEELING, May 22.

Although the personnel of the Committee to enquire into the recent disturbances in Dacca, the appointment of which was officially announced on April 29, is not yet known, it is learnt here that the Committee will be presided over by a High Court Judge. The Committee is expected to begin the enquiry about the first week of June.

The Government of Bengal have so far spent over Rs. 2,00,000 in relief measures in Dacca proper and in Narayanganj sub-division.

The latest reports received here indicate that the communal situation is gradually improving.—A. P.

Budaun Normal

ALLAHABAD, May 22.

Business in Budaun city is now normal, says the District Magistrate of Budaun in a Press Communique about the recent communal rioting there. Contradicting the false rumours the Magistrate states that in the rioting five Hindus were injured of whom one died in hospital. He received no report of any Muslim being injured. He adds that the actual rioting was quickly brought under control but tension continued so orders under Sec. 144 Cr. P. C. including a curfew order, were issued.—A. P.

Stabbing Patient In Hospital And Its Sequel

POONA, May 22.

The police have arrested two persons in connection with the stabbing of a patient in the Sassoon Hospital on the evening of May 20.

It is stated that on May 19 a scuffle ensued between two Muslims in front of a toddy shop at Nanapeth, in which knives were used by both. One of the two who was seriously injured, succumbed the same day, while the other was sent to the Sassoon Hospital for treatment.

It is stated that on the afternoon of May 20, about four or five persons pretending to be near relatives of the patient, called on the wounded man at the hospital and one of them leaning on the patient attempted to stab him in the chest with a knife. Fortunately the patient caught hold of the assailant's arm, thus diverting the direction of the knife from the chest to the arm. This created a disturbance in the ward and attracted the attention of the watchman, nurses and others there. Meanwhile the visitors made good their escape. The police have so far arrested two persons in this connection.—A. P.

Sinnar Pleader Arrested

(From Our Correspondent.)

NASIK May 20.

Mr. V. S. Kale, Pleader, Sinnar, and Secretary of the Sinnar Taluka Congress Committee, was arrested at Sinnar yesterday, after having offered Satyagraha there, shouting anti-war slogans. Mr. Kale has been brought here, and lodged in the Nasik Road Central Prison.

For Evacuees From Iraq

All evacuees from Iraq should notify at once any change of address to Mrs. Macklin, Honorary Secretary of the Information Bureau for Evacuees, 5, Mahendra Mansions, Esplanade Road, Bombay (Telephone No. 23300). If this is not done, it is almost impossible to forward letters or answer enquiries.

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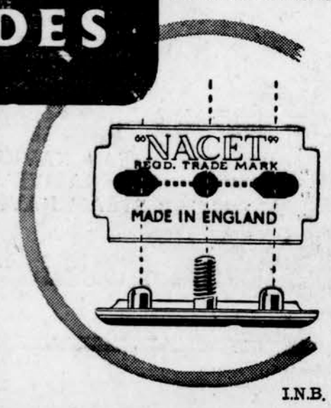

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NEW DERBY AND OAKS STAKES

Will Be Run On Newmarket Course On June 18 And 19

LONDON, May 22.

The announcement to-day of acceptances for the New Derby and New Oaks Stakes, substitutes for the Peace Time Derby and Oaks Classics confirms that the Derby will be run on Wednesday, June 18th with the Oaks on the following day:—

There are 26 acceptances fod the Derby and 20 for the Oaks, both races being over a one and a half miles course on Newmarket.—Reuter.

Obaidullah Cup

Semi-Finals Reached

BHOPAL, May 22.

Alexandra High School "B" Bhopal, qualified to meet Independents, Delhi, in the semi-final of the All-India Obaidullah Khan Gold Cup Hockey Tournament.

In the last quarter-final this evening Alexandra School defeated Muslim Sports, Kamptee, by four goals to nil.

The semi-final stages have been reached of the All-India Obaidullah Khan Gold Cup Hockey Tournament being played this year in aid of the War Fund.

The right to contest the final is to be fought out by two local and two outstation teams.

In the first semi-final, Khalsa College Amritsar, holders meet Shamla Club of Bhopal who have almost the full Bhopal Wanderers team and on current form are hot favourites for the trophy.

In the other semi-final, Alexandra High School "B" Bhopal have qualified to meet Independents Delhi by defeating Muslim Sports Club, Kamptee by four goals to nil in the last quarter final this evening.—A. P.

INDIA'S TRADE WITH E. AFRICA LOOKS UP

NEW DELHI, May 21.

A small increase in India's share of the East African trade in certain categories of cotton textiles, such as bleached goods and cotton blankets, jute bags and sacks, boots shoes, pulses, spices and certain kinds of leather manufactures has been recorded, according to the Annual Report of the Indian Government Trade Commissioner in East Africa, Mombasa, for the year 1939-40, just released.

The principal articles imported into India from East Africa are raw cotton, sodium carbonate, wattle bark, Arabic gum, millet and cashew nuts.—United Press.

Fixture Of Indian Football League

BOMBAY, Friday.

To-morrow (Saturday) May 24

Tata S. C. vs Indian Gymkhana at 4 p.m.

Matunga Athletic Club, vs Muslim Sports at 5 p.m.

Y. M. C. A. Club, vs B. B. & C. I. Railway at 6 p.m.

There is no game on Sunday the 25th instant.

Mohan Bagan-Customs Draw

CALCUTTA May 22.

A goalless draw was the result of the League match between the Customs and Mohun Bagan played on the Calcutta ground.

Bhowanipore earned two points in their League match against Dalhousie to-day having beat them on the latter's ground by a goal to nil.—A. P.

BOMBAY GOVT. GAZETTE

Civil Appointments

The following civil appointments appear in Thursday's Govt. Gazette:—

The services of Mr P. R. Nayak, I.C.S., Deputy Secretary to Government, Revenue Department are placed at the disposal of the Government of Bombay with effect from the date of relief.

The Governor of Bombay is pleased to appoint Mr. T. T. Kothawala, Collector (on leave) to be Secretary to the Provincial Transport Authority, vice Mr. C. H. Reynolds.

The services of Mr. C. H. Reynolds, on relief, are placed at the disposal of the Government of India for special duty in connection with the motor spirit rationing scheme.

The Governor of Bombay is pleased to make the following further appointments:—

Mr. M. B. Honavar, LL.B., Officiating Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge, Belgaum, to officiate as Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge, Nasik.

Mr. R. S. Hamilday, I.C.S., on return from leave, to officiate as District and Sessions Judge, Kanara, vice Mr. A. R. Khan, I.C.S., proceeded on leave.

The Governor of Bombay is pleased to appoint Mr. P. V. Raje, Inspector of Police, Bombay City, to officiate as Superintendent of Police, Bombay City, vice Rao Saheb R. N. Nayampalli appointed to officiate as Deputy Commissioner of Police, Bombay.

Mr. N. K. Dravid, I.C.S., to officiate as Assistant Remembrancer of Legal Affairs and ex-officio Secretary to the Bombay Legislative Assembly vice Mr. V. N. Sardesai, I.C.S., proceeded on leave.

Mr. M. S. Patil, LL.B., Officiating Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge, Ahmedabad, on relief, to officiate as Extra Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge. Ahmedabad.

Mr. E. R. Kulkarni, Veterinary Inspector, Southern Range, to officiate as Deputy Director of Veterinary Services, vice Mr. C. N. Desai proceeding on leave preparatory to retirement.

The Governor of Bombay is pleased to sanction the continuance up to 30th April 1944 of the post of Forestry Instructor at the Agricultural College, Poona, and to direct that Mr. R. R. Chaudhari should continue to hold it.

Mr. M. D. Bhansali, I.C.S., on relief, to be Collector of Nasik, vice Mr. I. T. Almaula, reverting.

Mr. Hamid Khan Amir Khan Settlement Officer, Kaira, to officiate as Collector of Surat, vice Mr. D. S. Joshi, I.C.S., proceeding on leave.

IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF THE IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA ON THE 16TH MAY, 1941

LIABILITIES

	Rs.	Rs.
CAPITAL:—		
Authorised—2,25,000 shares of Rs. 500 each	11,25,00,000	
Issued and Subscribed—2,25,000 shares of Rs. 500 each	11,25,00,000	
Called up—75,000 shares of Rs. 500 each, fully paid	3,75,00,000	
1,50,000 shares of Rs. 500 each Rs. 125 paid	1,87,50,000	5,62,50,000
Reserve Liability of Shareholders—Rs. 375 per share on 1,50,000 shares	5,62,50,000	
Reserve Fund		5,62,50,000
Fixed Deposit, Savings Bank, Current and other Accounts		99,15,10,000
Loans against Securities per contra		—
Acceptances for Constituents		—
Sundries		1,05,51,000
	Rs	111,43,61,000

ASSETS

	Rs.	Rs.
INVESTMENTS:—		
Government Securities	56,25,12,000	
Other Authorised Investments	1,10,68,000	57,35,80,000
ADVANCES:—		
Loans	8,62,31,000	
Cash Credits and Overdrafts	27,79,58,000	
Bills Discounted and Purchased	4,98,59,000	41,40,48,000
Liability of Constituents for Acceptances per contra		1,81,80,000
Dead Stock		84,12,000
Sundries		—
Bullion		
CASH:—		
In hand and with the Reserve Bank of India	8,80,72,000	
Balances with other Banks	1,20,69,000	10,01,41,000
	Rs.	111,43,61,000

SHIPPING NEWS

IMPORTS

Bombay, May 22.

211 cases cotton fents and lemnants, 100 cases insterine, 67 cases steel wood screws, 188 cases batteries, 30 cases iron screws, 210 cases cotton cord twine, 30 cases grape nuts, 35 cases printing ink, 122 cases typewriters, 34 cases tools, 59 cases printing paper, 139 dms textile finishing compound, 697 dms dyestuffs colours, 48 dms thinner, 147 dms caustic soda flake, 370 pkgs chassis and cars, 576 pkgs red steam pipes, 9718 pkgs galvd pipes, 3129 pkgs black pipes, 247 pkgs machinery and parts, 430 pkgs auto and auto truck parts, 38 pkgs galvd rods, 75 pkgs harmless drugs, 71 ctns razor blades, 62 ctns electric fans, 32 ctns steel toys, 978 jottas mangoes, 297 kegs wire nails, 700 lse auto wheels, 863 bdls wrought iron pipes, 60 bdls coir matts, 577 bdls coir rope, 55 bdls brass rods, 1480 bdle wrapping paper, 286 pkgs bolts and nuts, 157 bdls issue paper, 180 pkgs cardboard, 160 ksgs iron nails, 74 rolls felt base floor carpeting, 496 bags lithopone, 605 bags copra, 1968 bags cocoanuts, 13979 nos fire bricks, 500 lse tires and tubes, 31 cases refrigerators, 1332 rolls yellow cardboard, 522 bls cotton waste, 11422 pis and bdls scantlings planks and reepers, 400 kits paint, 30 cts sanitary rods, 132 bls over issue newspaper, 2712 bls news print paper.

EXPORTS

Bombay, May 22.

1185 bags linseed Indian Produce Co. Ltd., 405 bls cotton waste Sapt Textile Products (India) Ltd., 34290 bags crude tale ground D. Abraham and Sons, 11 bls cotton piece goods C. Prakash and Co. (India) Ltd., 10 bls cotton piece goods A. Y. Mehaka Chivili, 900 bls raw cotton T. M. Kaisha Ltd., 339 bls d/s goat skins D. Abraham and Sons, 10 bls raw coir hides D. Abraham and sons, 30 bags cumin seed K. Tricamji and Co., 68 bls cotton piece goods Italindia Cotton Co. Ltd. 55 bls cotton piece goods W. A. Beardsell and Co. Ltd., 48 bls cotton piece goods Cox and Kings (Agents) Ltd., 30 bls cotton piece goods Vadilal Ltd., 56 bls cotton twist waste Sapt T. Products (India) Ltd., 38 bls cotton piece goods Tulsidas Khimji, 41 bls cotton piece goods S. R. Pusalkar and Co., 44 bls cotton piece goods Herbert Sons Ltd., 64 bags myrabollam T. Raghavji and Co., 20 bls cotton piece goods Aroon and Co., 36 bls cotton piece goods N. M. Bros. and Co., 27 bls cotton piece goods M. Bulakhidas, 100 bls cotton waste M. Chandulal and Co., 17 bls cotton piece goods The Jessain Carpet Co., 66 dms magnesium chloride The Pioneer Magnesia Works Ltd., 1500 tons pig iron Indian Iron and Steel Co. Ltd., 225 bags pickers Patel and Co., 100 bags gum E. Valimahomed and Co., 333 bags gum Mepani Bros., 50 bls woollen rags Chamanlal Sarabhai and Co., 397 bags psyllium seed husk D Abraham and Sons, 1073 bls raw cotton Ralli Bros. Ltd., 46 bls cotton piece goods A. E. Maskati, 37 bags linseeds K Tricamji and Co., 1482 bls raw cotton Gordhandas and Co., 207 bls raw wool K. Esmail, 40 bags cumin seed Manekji and Co., 222 bags fenugreek seed Manekji and Co., 209 bls raw wool D. Abraham and Sons, 14 bls camel hair Haji E. Dossa

Red Shirts' Satyagraha

PESHAWAR, May 21.

The Red Shirts' Satyagraha continued to-day at different villages in the Province without any interference.—United Press.

Fair Retail Price Of Foodstuffs

The following are fair retail prices of several articles of foodstuffs in Bombay City published by the Controller of Prices, Bombay, for the week beginning from Friday, the 23rd May, 1941.

Rice Country Jirasal (Bhiwandi)	No. 1 quality	Per paylee	0-13-3	to	0-13-9
"	No. 2. "	"	0-12-3	to	0-13-0
"	No. 3 "	"	0-11-3	to	0-11-6
Patni		"	0- 8-0	to	0- 9-0
Wheat Khandwa No. 2.		"			0- 9-0
Wheat Yellow (Nasik)		"			0- 8-6
Wheat Pissi Butki (Punjal		"			0- 7-6
Jowar Sholapur Yellow		"			0- 5-0
Bajri Cawnpore No. 1		"			0- 5-6
Bajri Kalpi Ordinary		"			0- 5-6
Gram Banda		"			0- 6-0
Gram Shahapura		"			0- 7-9
Turdal Cawnpore Dry		"			0- 8-0
Turdal Surti Oiled (Superior)		"			0-10-9
Masur Dal Superior		"			0- 8-0
Chana Dal No. 1		"			0- 8-0
Mung Chinai No. 2		"			0-10-0
Ghee Hatras		1 lb.			0-14-0
Ghee Porbunder		"			1- 0-0
Til Oil		"			0- 3-6
Cocoanut oil		"			0- 3-0
Groundnut oil		"			0- 2-6
Indian Sugar		"			0- 2-3
Wimco Matches 40 sticks		2 boxes			0- 0-9
Wimco Matches 60 sticks		"			0- 1-0

Maximum Prices Of Burma Rice

The Government of Bombay has notified the following fair maximum prices of leading varieties of Burma rice for wholesale and retail sales in Bombay City, effective from Friday, May 23, until further notice:—

Bassein Small Mills 168 lbs. Rs. 11-9-0 Paylee As. 8-6; Amba More No. 1 168 lbs. Rs. 12-13-0 Paylee As. 9-3; Amba More No. 2 168 lbs. Rs. 12-11-0 Paylee As. 9-0; Halwa (Khananto) 168 lbs. Rs. 11-8-0 Paylee As. 8-3; Madhia Mandla 168 lbs. Rs. 13-1-0 Paylee As. 9-3; Mandla Ordinary 168 lbs. Rs 12-4-0 Paylee As. 8-9; Sugandhi No. 1 168 lbs. Rs. 12-15-0 Paylee As. 9-3; Sugandhi No. 2 168 lbs. Rs. 12-8-0 Paylee As. 9-0; Europe Quality 168 lbs. Rs. 11-14-0 Paylee As. 8-6; Special 168 lbs. Rs. 11-1-0 Paylee As. 8-0; Rangoon Small Mills 168 lbs. Rs. 11-10-0 Paylee As. 8-6.

Wholesale rates will be five annas less in C. I. F. sales for reshipment from docks. When delivered thence in railway wagons carts or lorries for carriage inland, this rate will be two annas less. When sold by Vakharias and Chhaparias a maximum margin of six annas over the wholesale rate is allowed. The retail rates are for cash purchases.

Position Of Scheduled Banks

STATEMENT OF THE POSITION OF SCHEDULED BANKS AS AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON 16TH MAY 1941

	Rs.	
1. Demand Liabilities:		
(a) In India	.....	175,69,18,000
(b) In Burma	.....	10,02,13,000
2. Time Liabilities		
(a) In India	.....	102,39,15,000
(b) In Burma	.....	4,01,59,000
3. Cash:		
i. Currency notes of the Government of India and Bank Notes.		
(a) In India	7,10,29,000	
(b) In Burma	 1,19,000	
ii. Burma Notes:		
(a) In India	 14,000	
(b) In Burma	 54,73,000	
iii. Rupee Coin:		
(a) In India	 1,09,86,000	
(b) In Burma	 1,33,000	
iv. Subsidiary Coin:		
(a) In India	 34,05,000	
(b) In Burma	 56,000	
4. Balances with Reserve Bank	.....	26,08,70,000
5. Advances:		
(a) In India	.....	125,53,36,000
(b) In Burma	.....	6,21,50,000
6. Bills Discounted:		
(a) In India	 6,45,79,000	
(b) In Burma	 10,25,000	

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF THE POSITION OF SCHEDULED BANKS

(In thousand Rupees)

	16-5-1941 Rs.	9-5-1941 Rs.	17-5-1940 Rs.	1-9-1939 Rs.
1. Demand liabilities	185,71,31	184,67,52	148,35,52	141,39,78
in India and Burma	(10,02,13)	(9,84,38)	(747.28)	(7,03.29)
2. Time Liabilities	106,40,74	106,45,10	113,93,15	106,46,46
in India and Burma	(4,01,59)	(4,00,29)	(3,75.50)	(4,22,12)
3. Total cash	9,12,18	9,09,17	6,98,74	7,29,82
in India and Burma	(57,81)	(55,69)	(27,02)	(59,37)
4. Balances with Reserve Bank	26,08.70	24,79,63	17,92,12	25,27,75
5. Advances in India	131,74,86	132,82,47	153,15,79	105,65,08
and Burma	(6,21,50	(6,91,26)	(4,93,91)	(4,12,92)
6. Bills discounted in India and	6,56,04	6,59,75	6,89,58	3,86,74
Burma	(10,25)	(13.59)	(24,98)	(29,45)

(Burma figures are shown in brackets)

Calcutta Football

CALCUTTA, May 22.

The following are results of matches played in the First Division of Calcutta Football League to-day:—

Mohun Bagan nil, Customs nil.

Bhowanipore one; Dalhousie nil.—A. P.

BOMBAL METALS

Bombay, May 22.

Yellow Metal Sheet Rs. 72
Copper Sheets Rs 79
Tone:—Steady.

PEPPER & GINGER

Bombay, May 22.

The Pepper and Ginger Merchants Association, Ltd.:—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Pepper ready Alleppey per candy	83	0	0
Pepper Jeth Sud 15 per candy	82	4	0
Pepper Bhadarva Sud 15 per candy ...	85	4	0
Ginger bleached ready per cwt.	17	0	0

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, May 21.

	£
Rupee Paper 3-1/2 p.c.	69-1/2
Indian Stock 3 p.c. 1948	87-1/2
Indian Stock 3-1/2 p.c. 1931 or later	99-1/4
Consols 2-1/2 p.c	78-1/4
Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p.c. 1961	103-3/4
War Loan 3-1/2 p.c.	103-1/4
Funding Loan 4 p.c 1960/90	112-3/8
Victory Bonds 4 p.c.	111-1/2
Chartered Bank of I. A. & China	8-7/8
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London reg.)	75
National Bank of India	37

LINSEED & WHEAT

Bombay, May 22.

	Rs.	a.	p.
Linseed May	5	5	3
Linseed September	5	8	6
Wheat May	4	2	0
Wheat September	4	8	0

Jute Restriction Conference

SHILLONG, May 21.

The Jute Restriction Conference between the representatives of the Governments of Bengal and Assam, which began yesterday, concluded its deliberations this afternoon. It is understood that the fundamental basis of an agreed settlement on the restriction scheme between the two provinces has been reached.—A. P.

GROUNDNUTS AND SEEDS

Bombay, May 22.

	Rs.	a.	p.
Groundnuts August:			
Opening	30	8	0
Highest	31	1	0
Lowest	30	7	6
Closing	30	14	0
Castorseeds September:—			
Opening	32	3	0
Highest	32	6	0
Lowest	31	12	0
Closing	32	4	0
Cottonseeds September:—			
Opening	20	13	0
Highest	20	15	0
Lowest	20	12	0
Closing	20	13	6

BOMBAY YARN QUOTATIONS

Bombay, May 22.

6 1/2s June 136, August 137, October 138.
10 1/2s June 150, August 151, October 152.
20 1/2s June 220, August 222, October 224.
40s June 324, August 326, October 328.

COLOMBO QUOTATIONS.

COLOMBO, May 22.

Rubber sheet sixty crepe sixtyone. Yesterday's closing sheet sixty crepe sixty and half copra 2775 coconut oil f.o.b. 20750 nominal.—A. P.

Daily Weather

POONA, May 22.

Thundershowers have been fairly widespread in the extreme north of the country and also occurred locally in Malabar, North Madras Coast and at a few stations in Assam, Bengal, Orissa, Bihar East United Provinces, Punjab, West Central India and South-East Madras.

The principal amounts of rainfall were:— Calicut and Vizagapatam one and half inches each; Sonamarg, Peshawar, Dera Ismail Khan, Drosh and Trivandrum half each; Shillong, Darjeeling, Simla, Murree, Cherat, Madura and Cailngapatam quarter each.

EARTHQUAKE REPORT:— An earthquake shock of slight intensity with its origin about 1,450 miles away was recorded by Bombay seismographs at six hours 35 minutes (I. S. T.) on Thursday May 22.—A. P.

COLABA OBSERVATORY, BOMBAY.

Summary of Meteorological Observations during 24 hours ending 8 a.m. of 22-5-1941.

Change of 8 a.m. barometer in past 24 hours+.007 inches.

Temperature (dry bulb) at 8 a.m. 84.0 degrees.

Temperature (wet bulb) at 8 a.m. 76.0 degrees

Maximum temperature during 24 hours 82.3 degrees (1.1 above normal).

Minimum temperature during 24 hours 79.0 degrees (1.2 below normal).

Relative Humidity at 8 a.m. 66 p.c.

Direction of wind at 8 a.m. WNW

Velocity of wind at 8 a.m. 2 miles per hour.

Total movement of wind in 24 hours 119 miles.

Velocity of maximum gust of wind during 24 hours, 17 miles per hour.

Extent of cloud at 8 a.m. (the whole sky cloudy equal 10.) 8.

Weather Remark.

Earthquake report:—An earthquake shock of slight intensity at its origin about 1450 miles away was recorded by the seismographs at the Colaba observatory at 6h 35m. I.S.T. on 22nd May 1941.

New York Stock Exchange

NEW YORK, May 22.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices: General Motors 38, Anaconda Copper Mining 26-1/8, United States Steel Common 53-5/8, United States Steel Preference 118-1/8.—Reuter.

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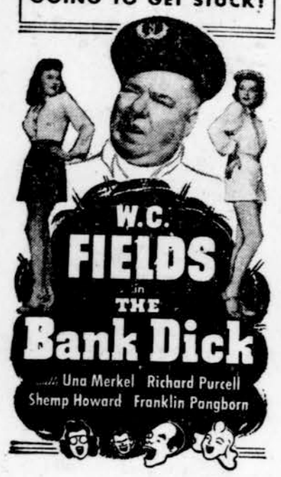

Also latest war news showing England's Spring offensive measures...
Her Majesty viewing latest fashions...Training mechanics for the Indian Air Force! and WAR MATERIAL, a F.A.B. Release.
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Bombay & Suburbs

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS

To-day

Hindu: Vaishakh Vad 13, 1997
Muslim: Rabi-ul-Akhar 25, 1360
Parsi: Adar 21, 1310
Hightide: 10-46; 22-23
Lowtide: 3-58; 16-17
Sunrise: 6h 3m
Sunset: 7h 9m

"3 ARTS MUSIC LUNCHEON.+On Sunday May 25 at 11-45 a.m. at Monjinis Churchgate Street. Enquiry 41350".

LATE SIR DADIBA DALAL.—A resolution was passed at a meeting of the Council of the Parsi Central Association and Political League on Thursday on the death of late Sir Dadiba Dalal.

CITY FATHERS' ROUNDS.—The Municipal Commissioner will meet the elected members of Ward No. 4, tomorrow (Saturday) at 6-51 a.m (Bombay Time), at the junction of Chinch Bunder Road and Sandhurst Road (near Petrol Station) and go round with them in the Ward.

BOMBAY TEXTILE AND ENGINEERING ASSOCIATION.—A lecture meeting of the above Association will be held in the Association hall to-day (Friday) at 6-30 p.m. when Mr. H. D. Henman, A.M.I.E., Controller of Stores, B. B. & C. I. Railway will deliver a lecture on "Relation of Storekeeper with Works and Purchase."

JEWELLERY THEFT SUSPECT ARRESTED

Theft of jewellery worth Rs. 1,000 is reported to have taken place in a Marwari's house at Ardesher Dadyseth Cross Lane, Bombay, on May 17.

The Police have arrested one man in this connection and have, it is understood, recovered a part of the stolen property amounting to Rs. 700.

B. P. C. C. Chief To Meet Satyagrahis

Mr. Dhirajlal B. Desai, President of the B. P. C. C. will meet local Satyagrahis and discuss the situation on Sunday the 25th instant immediately after the completion of the flag salutation ceremony.

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

PATHE—"Asra". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"Footsteps in the Dark. Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CAPITOL—"40,000 Horsemen". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"The Bank Dick". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"So Ends Our Night". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"La Conga Nights". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Narad-Naradi". Daily at 4, 7 and 9-45 p.m.
ROXY—"Naya Sansar". Daily at 3-30, 6-45 and 10 p.m
MINERVA—"Lagan". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Khazanchi". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Shejari". Daily at 4, 7 and 9-45 p.m.
PALACE—"Go West." Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
HIND-MATA—"Mala". Daily at 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m.
CHITRA—"Prabhat". Daily at 4, 6-45 and 10 p.m

TALK OF THE SUBURBS

(By Suburban Man)

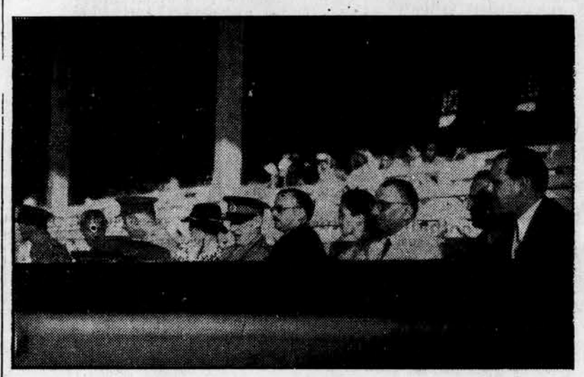
Excise raids in the Suburbs are being carried out daily. This proves that since the enforcement of prohibition, nearly every area in the Suburbs has houses where distillation of illicit liquor is being carried on.

Early this week, a house in Bandra which appeared to be a residential one was raided, and over 300 gallons of wash and some dozens of bottles of illicit liquor were attached.

On Wednesday an excise party headed by Mr. V. Almeida, had a very trying time when they raided a house in the village of Thana Mahal, where they discovered 3 stills working and attached five gallons of illicit liquor.

It is alleged that while the excise party had finished making the panchanama and were making for the bus, nearly a mob of over 200 villagers all armed with sticks, hatchets etc., rushed at the party, but were controlled by three rounds of police fir[illegible] several constables were inj[illegible] by stones thrown by the mob. On opening fire, the mob fled. Only one member of the mob was arrested carrying a hatchet. He was taken into custody.

This raid should be an eye opener, that in Bandra our popular Suburb, there are several more such houses that have barrels and barrels of illicit liquor which is daily being sold as in a tavern in days when Bombay was not 'dry'.


His Excellency, the Governor of Bombay was a keen spectator at the Gliding Demonstration on Saturday the 10th inst. at the Race Course. Major-General T. P. P. Butler, Officer Commanding, Bombay District, is on His Excellency's right Mrs. F. H. Irani is on His Excellency's left.

FIRST GLIDING DEMONSTRATION

Good Gathering Present At The Race Course

The Indian Gliding Association Limited, which is the first most organized body of its kind in India, gave their first Gliding performance at the Race Course, last Saturday afternoon.

Two machines, one a single-seater "Albatross" Sailplane presented to the Association by the late Sir Hormusjee Adenwalla and the other, a two-seater Sailplane, presented by Sir Dorab Tata Trust, were flown alternatively, giving the spectators different aspects in the launching of Gliding. A number of spectators were given free successful flights. The launching of the Glider was done by the Winch system that is on the same principle on which a kite is flown. A cable over 2,000 feet long operated by a Winch arrangements fitted to a truck from one end of the Race Course gave upward momentum to the Glider by dragging them against the wind. When the machine had reached the required height, the cable was dropped by the pilot and the Glider soared in the air for a few minutes, losing height gradually it slowly glided down and landed on the ground, light as a feather. It was then towed again to its required position for the next flight by a car kept in attendance for the same.

The whole of Bombay is a prohibited area for Civil Flying, and permission was given for flight within the boundary of the Race Course and flights not exceeding 500 feet; hence the soaring of the Glider had to be kept within this limit.

Mr. F. H. Irani, the Chief Instructor of this Association piloted the machine and Mr. H. C. D. Irwin gave a running commentary of the flights.

Mrs. F. H. Irani was the first lady in India to go up in a Glider, incidentally piloted by her husband, Mr. F. H. Irani.

Among the visitors who were given successful flights, were Sir Sorabji Saklatwalla, Miss Stanley Jepson, Miss Guevrek, Miss Dubash, Miss Dinshaw and others. Sir Sorabji Saklatwalla after landing gave his impressions through the mike.

The Governor, Sir Roger Lumley, who was expected to be present for half an hour, stayed on for well over an hour, and took keen interest in demonstrations.

Among the numerous spectators were Mr. J. A. Madan, and Mr. H. F. Knight Advisers to the Governor, Major-General the Hon. T. P. P. Butler, Officer Commanding, Bombay District, Mr. J. R. D. Tata, Mr. W. R. G. Smith, Commissioner of Police, Mr. N. Vincent, of Tata Aviation, Lt.-Col. A. J. Ransford, Lt.-Col. L. C. Palk, Military Secretary, Capt. T. C. M. M. Morrison, Surgeon and Lt. A. St. J. Shuttleworth, A. D. C. to the Governor of Bombay and many others.

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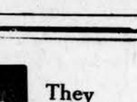

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NATIONAL STUDIOS

Late Srinivasa Iyengar

The Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Bombay, at their meeting held on 20th May passed a resolution putting on record their sense of loss at the sudden death of Sri S. Srinivasa Ayengar, an ex-President of the Indian National Congress. They also sent a telegram of condolence to the family of the late Mr. Ayengar.

Bombay War Gifts Fund

Amount previously acknowledged: Rs. 57,18,446-15-9.

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Rs. 500 Mr M. M. Hillel (2nd instalment). Rs. 100 Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Blandy.

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Rs. 435-1-3 Through the Treasury Officer, Satara. Rs. 417-8-0 Mr. T. Maloney Rs. 300 Mr. Donald G. Hill, M.L.A., J.P. (Monthly); Messrs. Hill, Son & Knox (Monthly). Rs 137-3-0 Through the Mamlatdar and Sub-Treasury Officer, Godhra Broach and Panch Mahals.

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Rs 250 Mr M. M. Hillel (2nd instalment).

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SOCIAL AND CINEMA SHOW AT MAHABLESHWAR.—The Bombay P. Baby and Health Week Association, (Maharashtra Branch) will hold its General Meeting, Social Function and Cinema-Show, at the General Library Hall, Malcum Peth, Mahableshwar, on Monday (26th inst.), at 4-30 p.m., when Shreemant Raghunathrao alias Babasaheb Pant Sachiv, the Rajesaheb of Bhor, will preside.

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WOES OF AHMEDABAD

The recrudescence of riots in Ahmedabad is extremely disquieting, particularly because of their possible repercussions in other places and the consequences of wrong methods of dealing with them. Already the casualty list has gone up to four dead and about sixteen injured. Reports of closed shops, deserted streets, and trains crowded with people leaving show that the people are again seized with panic. That the situation is serious is proved, apart from the panic, by the extension of the curfew order and the large number of persons arrested by the police. It is, however, some relief to learn that prompt measures are being taken by the authorities in the light of recent experience and that the public too, are taking suitable steps to restore quiet. It is particularly reassuring to learn that Wednesday night passed off quietly except for two cases of minor fires reported in one locality. But while there should be no panic at any time, there should neither be any tendency to halloo till you are quite out of the wood.

A Dangerous Order

Most of the steps that are being taken by the authorities are necessary though inconvenient to the public. Indeed, the curfew hours may well be further extended so as to commence at 8 p.m. instead of 10 p.m. But with the greatest sympathy for the District Magistrate in his hard task we can find no justification for his notification that "persons moving about in a suspicious manner after curfew hours are liable to be shot." In the first place we doubt the legality of the order and we should like to know under which penal law the Magistrate has issued the order. If it is under Section 144 of the Criminal Procedure Code, under which curfew orders are issued, that section prescribes particular penalties for any breach of the orders but does not mention anything so drastic as shooting men who break the orders. Whatever may be the position under martial law or under normal law in certain European countries, in India, under civil administration, the police is not permitted to shoot persons except in self-defence or in dealing with riotous crowds. Even in the latter case the crowds are to be warned first, but the present order goes to dangerous lengths in permitting the police to shoot even stray individuals if the latter's movements appear suspicious. If the police are as panicky as the Magistrate seems to have been, they may suspect the movements of most innocent persons, only technically breaking curfew orders through ignorance or otherwise. The order does violence to one's sense of proportion in addition to being a source of grave possible danger. It must be withdrawn forthwith.

End This Fratricidal Warfare

The authorities will doubtless try hard to restore calm but the matter cannot be left exclusively in their hands. The public, too, have to be active in a similar effort, with as much co-operation with the authorities as is possible. As was to be expected, Congress workers are already in the field giving every possible help irrespective of any considerations of creed. They may enlist more workers in the service even from among non-Congressmen provided they are all agreed on the principle of service of all communities. We expect that by now Mr. Mahadev Desai, who has studied the situation in the city well and who has presumably discussed it with Gandhiji in full is on the spot to guide all Congress workers. It is highly probable that he will introduce a new technique in the method of combating the evil in accordance with Gandhiji's suggestions and we trust he will get as many volunteers as he needs for his plan of action. It will be well for all concerned to realise that the trouble is now no longer local. The mischief is tending to spread again to this city and one cannot be too sure it will not spread farther still. The whole country must rouse itself to a supreme effort to end this fratricidal warfare.

Needless Restrictions

The Marwadi Education Society Wardha opened in 1940 at Wardha a College of Commerce to meet the need in that province of a large number of young men who had to go out of their province for commercial education. The college was made possible by the generous donation of Seth Govindram Seksaria. It started work in July last year and attracted a number of students not only from the C. P. and Berar but also from outside such as Madras, Kolhapur, Bombay, Poona and Hyderabad. The special feature of the college was its provision for practical training. It had a college bank and a co-operative shop managed by the students. Several business firms and banks helped in giving the students during the vacation practical training in their concerns.

But the Nagpur University has unduly restricted the number of students to this college, thereby depriving many of the advantage of learning at this very excellent college. From the next academic year the college cannot admit more than fifty students in each year, thus restricting the total number to 200 for the whole college. There seems to be no similar restriction in Bombay where professional training as in agriculture and in law is given. When the Bombay University did fix a maximum for the Hargovind Lakhmichan College of Commerce Ahmedabad, it put the maximum number at 700. The Sydenham College also has the same maximum number. The Wardha College had suggested that the maximum, if it was necessary, should be fixed at 350, if, not higher, but their appeal fell on deaf ears. This has naturally been a sad disappointment to a number of students who looked forward to that training in the college. We feel that the Nagpur University may reconsider its decision in view of the need for giving a larger number of young men a chance of a practical training in Commerce. Moreover the college is an asset to the University and it does not deserve to be crippled in its scope of beneficent service.

Cretan Adventure

The airborne attack on Crete is certainly one of the most audacious adventures the Germans have yet undertaken. But now that it has been launched both sides are going to fight for Crete with grimness. Mr. Churchill has already promised stern and determined resistance. The Nazis, on the other hand, are bound to press on with the attack even at comparatively great cost because they realise that their military invincibility is at stake. They will give up only if convinced that the adventure is both disastrous and impossible of success. It is noteworthy that for the first two days at least the German High Command communique has not mentioned the invasion of Crete. Is it due to the fact that there was no appreciable success to report? But whatever the reason of German silence, the first round, Tuesday's attacks, that is, has not gone against the British. And now the element of surprise at least has disappeared which too is an advantage for the defenders The end of the episode, however, is by no means in sight. What is more, it is likely that the Germans may attempt landings also in Cyprus and Malta which latter they have been incessantly bombing.

Frankly Speaking

Turkey And Britain

M. Yalchin, the Turkish Deputy, has been writing a series of truly remarkable articles in the "Yeni Sabah". In the first he declared "We must maintain contact with our British allies and keep open the road to the outside world. If Germany instals troops in Syria the danger for Turkey would be mortal and we would be forced to intervene" In the second, he proves from recent instances that "a promise of friendship does not prevent the Germans dividing up the country with whom they have sworn friendship". Turkey has not deserted and regards German expansion with grave and outspoken anxiety. But it would be a mistake to expect that Turkey would "intervene"—except, of course, in the event of her being directly attacked.

Syrian Situation

If Free French reports from the Syrian frontier are correct, Vichy's surrender to Germany may result in a local compensation or two also. It is reported that Free French forces from Palestine have penetrated into Syria. Perhaps this is one of the reasons why General Dentz has been ordered to move into Lebanon with a large French force "with the aim of forestalling possible intervention from the direction of Palestine". But a French regiment constituting the rear-guard of this very army is reported to have joined the Free French forces. We doubt if this regiment would have taken the serious step it did unless it had hopes of further defections or, at any rate, of sufficient confusion being caused in the army of General Dentz to enable a successful outcome of Free French intervention. If this happens the strategic situation—in the Eastern Mediterranean anyway—will substantially improve in favour of Britain. If not, the Germans will quickly extend their control over the whole of Syria.

Tragic

Have the Communists decided to leave Marshal Chiang-Kai-Shek alone at the most critical period of the war? The Marshal has appealed to their 18th group army to move immediately to the support of Government forces in "the most important battle" raging in North China. He quotes Japanese claims that the Communists, far from supporting their nationalist comrades in South Shansi, intend actually to revolt and join Wang Ching-Wei. And he adds: "While we do not want to believe such reports, it is undeniable that the Communist forces are remaining inactive, despite repeated orders of the Chinese High Command for the Communist units to move in support of the Central Government's forces." We wonder if this is one of the fruits of the Russo-Japanese Pact. But what a tragic pity it is that—no matter what the private and domestic differences between them and Chungking, may be—the Communists should help Japan and her puppet Wang-Ching Wei, who was set up with the declared object of suppressing communism in China!

Problems Of Marathi Journalists

Most of the problems which the Marathi journalists considered at Poona last Sunday were of a nature that could be said to concern journalists all over India. The press laws and the new orders in respect of supply of newsprint affect the All-India press as much as the Marathi press. It was natural, therefore, that the resolutions which the Poona Conference passed should conform more or less to the attitude of the Editors' Conference. There was quite a storm in the Conference over the treatment meted out to a reporter of a Poona paper at the Sholapur Literary Conference a few weeks ago, but ultimately a resolution acceptable to all parties and emphasising the need of concerted action by all journalists to preserve their rights and privileges at public meetings and other gatherings was passed unanimously. There is a tendency among certain circles and even public men to treat the journalist as a pest and a nuisance and the protest really was against this spirit which manifests itself in public occasionally. Both the President, Mr. N. R. Phatak, and the Chairman, Mr. J. S. Karandikar, devoted their speeches to questions that chiefly affected Marathi journalists. Taking their lead, resolutions commending the proposal for a Maharashtra news service and for the training of journalists were passed. Two Committees will go into these questions. Another resolution demanded that the minimum wage of a journalist in Bombay should be Rs. 60 and in Poona Rs. 45. A much better plan would have been to appoint a Committee and prescribe standards for working journalists, including correspondents.

Where The Invader Rules

By DEVERE ALLEN

Fresh from conquered Belgium come uncensored reports showing that the one primary urge of all the people is to try, no matter how feebly, to simulate the normal conditions of peacetime life. Wealthy citizens are playing golf and spending their means freely on the customary amusements. Business is vastly better off than it was in the comparable period of the last war. Trading is fairly free within the Continent; it must be conceded, however reluctantly, that Hitler's "new order" is to that extent beginning to take shape. Some businesses that were holding to life by the most desperate devices before the war, are actually doing well today. Business men and commercial salesmen are allowed to travel freely.

For the poor, however, the situation is bad and grows worse. Especially is this true of the city populations. Food is bootlegged, in spite of every punishment and precaution; the rich can manage, though they have to pay as high as a dollar a pound for butter. Farmers can eke out a fairly decent living, though not much over a subsistence level. The impoverished city dweller, though, is on the edge of famine, relieved by occasional shipment of grains from the Soviet Union, or potatoes and wheat from Germany. Distressing reports by those who want permission to feed Belgium are not exaggerated.

There has been little capitulation to Nazi anti-Semitism. Efforts to implant Nazi methods of intimidating and insulting Jews met with so little response and so much ridicule that they had to be dropped. One patisserie displaying a sign saying "We do not serve Jews" was placarded next day with signs reading "Traitor", and was eventually boycotted until it had to shut its doors.

People have become accustomed to the black-out. British bombing may have damaged the port towns extensively, but from a Belgian who lives close to the Brussels airport significant word has leaked through that it has not been necessary to move. The Belgians are making strenuous and not ineffective efforts to help themselves. Entirely unconnected with Nazi control or pressure, a strictly Belgian "winter help" fund was raised to buy food, where and when obtainable, for the needy. Cafe life, more essential to the typical Belgian than to any other European, is virtually dead. Fairly good coffee is available about once a week for those who can afford it. Those who can't, get fake coffee all the time, and the well-to-do most of the time.

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Slower news, but highly important and interesting, is available in a book by Lars Moen, an American scientific research worker who remained in Antwerp until last October. "Under the Iron Heel" is published by Lippincott. It is a work which one must praise for honest efforts at objectivity, thank for abundant facts not hitherto to be found, yet criticize in some measure for its author's lack of political sophistication.

Moen repeats without denial a canard he heard from one or two disgruntled citizens of Antwerp, angered because the mayor, Camille Huysmans, fled to England, to the effect that Huysmans was said to have been pro-Nazi. What an ironic joke! I knew Huysmans; he was remarkably trusted and popular, if sometimes gruff and possessed of a sardonic humour; he was recently elected head of the Labour and Socialist International. No longer young, he fled, of course, because he could do no good by remaining, would have justifiably expected that especially brutal treatment reserved by Nazis for Socialists, and, by arousing irritation in the invaders, would have put his people in more jeopardy. It is foolish to contrast him with the mayor of Brussels, Adolf Max, in 1914; Max was not a Socialist and the invaders were not Nazis.

Moen is particularly thoughtless, it seems to me, when he discusses what he believes to be the impossibility of feeding the hungry Belgians from America. He doesn't think the Germans will allow outsiders in; that they have done so in Poland is common knowledge. He thinks the Germans could take the food when stored up for distribution, apparently unaware that the plan of those with vast experience in feeding Nazi-occupied areas is to feed the people directly from travelling soup kitchens, with no stores and with small shipments of food-stuffs at a time.

Notwithstanding these and other blunders, such as attributing more importance to newspapers he doesn't like than they really possessed and in overlooking the truly marvellous progress made in the early months of the war toward Flemish-Walloon rapprochement, Moen's mind is so transparently fair, and he tries so sincerely to tell a dependable story, that his book is calculated to dispel more fogs of misrepresentation and ignorance than anything one could readily lay hands on elsewhere He is ardently anti-Nazi and a true democrat in aim and spirit. But he insists on correcting a lot of impressions falsely held in American minds because, in part, of deliberate propaganda; and because of sloppy newspaper reporting by those glamour boys who go upstage every time they send over a "news" dispatch.

Here are some of the things he brings out—things that America needs to know.

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1. British bombs often did hit schools, homes, hospitals and other non-military objectives, sometimes with deadly result; though never as often as false Nazi propaganda would indicate. In general the aim did not seem good, and a special attack on Antwerp harbour defences hit almost everything else.

2. King Leopold has steadfastly refused to co-operate with the Nazis and is the idol of all his people. Because of his refusal to accept a post in a puppet civil government, the Nazis have been unable as yet, as they have in Holland, to appoint a Governor-General. Instead, they have to maintain military rule, a situation relished by the Belgians, for the soldiery on the whole is friendly and tolerant while the civil rulers in occupied territories are harsh. Everyone, literally, approves of Leopold's surrender and is critical if anything of the French and British commands. There is admiration for Britain's Dunkirk exploit, and a widespread conviction that Britain will prevent a German victory in the war—an opinion freely ex-

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IRAN IN THE MIDDLE EASTERN CONFLICT

(By: 'MILICUS')

In order to appreciate the position Iran occupies in the events that are taking place at Irak at this moment and the possibilities that are suggested in the direction of extension of Axis activity and intrigue, it is necessary to take in a view of modern Iran and the aims and aspirations of policy in which could be discovered the inevitable reaction to the events that are taking place in a region where the country itself is situated.

Although there might not have been in Iran any organized or coherent elements analogous to the young Turks whom the Ghazi of Turkey led into action, Iran can be said to have been modelled broadly in many respects on the new Turkey from whom she undoubtedly imbibed considerable inspiration and an example for emulation.

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As in Turkey in Iran also, the personality of a single national leader has influenced the course of history. The overthrow of the ancient *regime* of the Shahs has indeed marked a national revolution and, as in Turkey; this revolution has opened a new era of national existence and has in fact constituted a process of renovation for the nation.

The Shah Reza Khan Pehlvi, like the Ataturk and many of the national leaders who have emancipated their countries from foreign yoke or influence or established them on a firm basis of enlightenment and progress, is drawn from the military class. He rose with his ability from the ranks of the army and was colonel of the infantry when he led his successful march against the capital, Teheran. He had to organize military power to safeguard the nation against the possibility of either internal disruption or external aggression.

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The military "coup d'etat" was necessitated in his view through the strong possibility of the foreign influence disrupting the nation and he was certainly inspired not by any idea of capture of personal power as his regime fully proves, but the patriotic desire to see his country occupy her legitimate place amongst the community of modern nations, grow strong and hold her own in a world where strength to resist foreign aggression is a decisive factor in the ability to exist. He then became successively Minister of War, Prime Minister and finally the Shah himself, again not with a view to establish a dictatorship but in order to produce conditions that conformed to the tradition and history of the country.

When he assumed control as the head of Government the neighbouring Soviet Russia had started establishing socialist Soviet republics on the borders of the Caspian and while maintaining friendly relations with all neighbours the Shah's principal aim has been to secure immunity for the country against any possibility of infiltration of undesirable foreign influence that was likely to weaken the integrity and independence of the nation.

Having secured safety either against political or any other foreign influence he realized the necessity of introducing administrative reform and reorganized the government consistently with the resources of the country and needs of the people. The achievements that his government have made possible, thanks to his vision, energy and leadership bear testimony fully to the character of the regime the Shah has established.

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In the sphere of external policy, the historical background as well as the topographical disposition of this country clearly indicate the lines of policy that must be pursued in order to safeguard the integrity of the national soil, independence and power of the country. Iran lies in the path of the traditional Russian expansion. When, for instance, the country was threatened with a Czarist invasion she had to appeal to Napolean I. Russia extended her influence in the regions of Baku and in 1832 finally imposed a difficult peace. During the last war, Iran had remained neutral although that could not prevent the Russian use of her territory when Russians clashed with Turks. The success achieved by the Shah in resisting the Soviet influence in the Caspian region could naturally impress the nation and the firmness and efficiency that are characteristic of his regime explain to some extent the secret of his power over his people.

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So far as the western democracies were concerned, their policies have been conditioned by the position in which they find themselves 'vis-a-vis' Iran. In the case of Great Britain, Iran occupies a position of considerable strategic importance in so far as India is concerned and the British policy has throughout been one of friendly relations. When in the beginning of the century, important oil finds were located in the Iranian territory the Shah maintained full economic control over the wells while he has extended important concessions to British interests on a basis of mutual benefit.

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After 1919 these mutual good relations improved considerably in the diplomatic sphere as well and directly led to the collaboration with Irak and Afghanistan. The *bloc* of countries like Turkey, Egypt, Irak and Afghanistan have themselves felt the necessity of such collaboration and establishment of cohesion and unity of action in the Far East. Although these countries have been differently situated they have in many respects certain common affinities and lines of internal and national development.

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The relations between the Ataturk and the Shah had always been those of mutual admiration and first with the accord between the two countries in 1935 and following the Shah's successful visit to Turkey the famous Pact of Saadabad of 1937 was signed between Turkey, Irak, Afghanistan and Egypt. The marriage of the Egyptian King Farouk's sister with the heir-apparent of Iran further formed a bond with Egypt the political significance of which is only too obvious to be stressed.

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The part that both Turkey and Iran have played in trying to avert the recent clash at Irak and the deep concern naturally expressed by both the countries as well as their desire to preserve their independence while they are still pursuing the path of peaceful reform and progress opened up by the Ataturk and the Shah fully guarantee that in the event of the Axis making any move in this region the full and combined force of resistance of the nations and peoples would be employed till the invader is thrown out. They are fully prepared to collaborate with Great Britain which has certainly no territorial ambitions or designs against any member of this group of countries. They would no doubt do everything possible to maintain their neutrality and independence although they are clearly and indissolubly aligned on the side of the cause of democracy with which their own interests are identified.

Public Service Commission And Catholics

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—Roman Catholic candidates applying for posts advertised by the Public Service Commission are required to state whether they are Goans, East Indians or Mangaloreans. This is certainly ridiculous. The Muslims in Bombay also hail from different provinces. Why should they not be made to specify in the same manner? A Marathi-speaking Muslim from Ratnagiri is classed with a Gujarathi-speaking Khoja or a Urdu-speaking Pathan. But Roman Catholics professing the same faith, observing the same customs and very often joined by ties of friendship or matrimony are separated by these recruitment rules.

It is, therefore, imperative that such invidious distinctions should be abolished altogether. All Roman Catholics permanently residing in this province should be considered as belonging to one community for all intents and purposes. Will Government move in the matter?

—Yours, etc.

CLAUDE D'SILVA.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

NEW YORK, May 22.

Senator Walsh, Chairman of the Senate Naval Affairs Committee, addressing a meeting of the organisation of "Americans United", declared: "Incredible as it may seem, letters are now reaching the desks of members of Congress strongly urging an open declaration of war."

Senator Walsh added that United States naval convoys would certainly precipitate war with Germany.

—Reuter.

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In view of the High Court Ruling, 200 Punjab Satyagrahis convicted for merely giving intimation of Civil Disobedience have been released.

Owing to a serious omission in the otherwise perfect "Defence of India Rules", Mr. Pant the Meerut Magistrate is regrettably unable to issue extradiction warrants and re-try these Satyagrahis in Meerut.

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According to an American journalist now in Bombay, the attitude towards India of Britain which is fighting to liberate enslaved nations, provides one of the strangest anomalies.

Being an American and not an Indian our confrere is naturally not used to such strange anomalies.

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In a tribute which he has graciously paid to Mr. Srinivasa Iyengar, a great "Hindu leader"—mind you don't forget the prefix—Mr. M. A. Jinnah says that Mr. Iyengar "had a particular dislike for moving and revolving round a rut."

You get the broad idea any way, don't you?

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Mr. Fazlul Huq says in his latest statement—Explanation Series No. 1—"I am in no way in disagreement with the League's policy or ideal and I am anxious to make known to the public not my disagreement but my agreement with the policy of our national organisation."

This is, you will agree, most gratifying to our prophetic soul.

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In a broadcast appeal to communists, Marshal Chiang Kai-Shek reveals that despite orders the communist forces have not gone to the support of Chinese troops in South Shansi.

We hope comrade Stalin and M Matsuoka will thereupon exchange appropriately felicitous messages.

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A French regiment in Syria has come over to General de Gaulle and Free French Forces have crossed into the country, we learn.

But let us touch wood. Or failing that, let's talk about the Admirable Darlan.

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According to a Free French report, the Admirable Darlan was hissed anid hooted by Frenchmen when he visited Beauvais a month ago.

With the result that the sensitive man has not forgiven France or Frenchmen since then.

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Mr. Cordell-Hull is reported to have demanded from Vichy's representative "full assurances in writing that France would hold rigidly to the Armistice terms in her dealings with Germany."

Such writings are more than easy for men who have thought nothing of writing away their country itself.

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(1) Field Marshal von Brauchitsch, the German Commander-in-Chief has arrived in Paris and

(2) It has been announced from Berlin that Paris "is now to be considered a zone of extended operations."

The question is do (1) plus (2) equal southwards or westwards.

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Gunn, the big-game hunter, was telling his stay-at-home wife all about his encounter with the Bengal tiger, and how he had finally shot it.

'Yes', he wound up, 'it was a case of the tiger or myself.'

She looked up at him proudly.

'I'm so glad it was the tiger', she replied, 'otherwise we wouldn't have had this lovely rug.'

TWO ITALIAN DIVISIONS TRAPPED IN ABYSSINIA

Enemy Post Destroyed In Sollum: Aggressive Patrol Activity Continued: Operations In Fallujah Area In Iraq

CAIRO, May 22.

Two enemy divisions are trapped between British Empire forces in Abyssinia and several thousand enemy prisoners have been taken according to a British Middle East 'communique' which says:

"In the Gondar area units of the Sudan defence force are closely engaged with the enemy in the vicinity of Chelga. So far over 300 Italian prisoners have been captured in the Battle of the lakes.

ITALIANS TRAPPED.

Operations are proceeding satisfactorily against two enemy divisions which have now been trapped between our forces advancing from the north and from the south. West of Sciasciamanna our troops successfully attacked the main enemy positions.

An Italian counter-attack with tanks was repulsed and considerable damage was inflicted by our artillery on the retreating enemy. In this action the enemy left over a hundred dead on the field of battle and our captures include 600 prisoners, ten guns and five medium tanks. Our casualties were slight.

Surprise Action

Further to the south our advance guards overwhelmed a complete rearguard consisting of a brigade headquarters and three colonial battalions. Captures in this area so far amount to over 4,400 prisoners of whom a large proportion are Italians together with 32 guns and 14 tanks.

In Libya

LIBYA:—Nothing to report at Tobruk.

In the Sollum area during the night of May 20|21 advanced elements of our mechanised troops destroyed an enemy post on the Sollum hill knocking out three German tanks. Our patrols in this area are continuing their vigorous aggressive activities.

R.A.F. fighter aircraft and the South African air force successfully attacked motor transport convoys in the Capuzzo area yesterday. Many lorries were destroyed and others damaged.

Other aircraft bombed a camp and gun positions in the same area.

During the previous night targets near Barce were bombed.

In Iraq

IRAQ:—Operations in the neighbourhood of Fallujah are progressing.

In Basra area the situation remains calm."—Reuter.

Canada's Pledge

To Finance Bulk Of Br. Purchases

Commons Cheer Announcement By Chancellor Of Exchequer

LONDON, May 22.

The House of Commons cheered the announcement by the Chancellor of the Exchequer that Canada had pledged itself to finance the bulk of the British purchases in Canada estimated at two hundred to three hundred million sterling.

Sir Kingsley Wood explained that this was a very large sum in relation to Canada's resources seeing that Canada's total budget revenues last year were under two hundred million sterling.

The Chancellor also paid a tribute to the help from other dominions and colonies.

AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND.

Australia and New Zealand had to meet heavy expenditure outside their own countries and were applying increasing amount of their Sterling resources towards the current external war costs. Those countries, like Canada, had increased taxation. They also had import restrictions and rationing schemes. The Chancellor also mentioned the importance of South Africa as the world's chief gold producer and India as the source of multifarious supplies.—Reuter.

'Carte Blanche' For Suner

MADRID, May 22.

An important order signed by General Franco is published in to-day's Official Bulletin defining the powers of the President of the Political Board of the Falange Party, namely, Senor Suner, virtually giving him as General Franco's representative and Second in Command the fullest powers over the Party and Party appointments.

The principal object, says the preamble, is "to strengthen the Party's unity, firmness and efficiency, thus constituting an unbreakable political front and a powerful offensive to arm against all obstacles and resistances which may try to oppose the National Syndicalist Revolution."

The final result of the recent chopping and changing, therefore, appears to be that the Falange Party's position in the country is more important than ever.—Reuter.

MARTINIQUE NEED NOT FEAR

WASHINGTON, May 22

Mr. Cordell Hull has given an implied assurance that Martinique has no reason to fear any immediment United States action against it.

Mr. Hull described as German or pro-German inspired reports published in German-occupied France that Martinique officials had received orders to prepare for an attack by the United States.

Speaking at a press conference, Mr. Hull asserted that the situation of Martinique itself was unchanged despite increasing evidence of Franco-German collaboration in Europe

It is understood that recent "routine exercises" by the French aircraft carrier "Bearn" and the cruiser "Emile Bertin" have not caused serious concern in Washington than that they might be preparing a dash to Europe.—Reuter.

Attempt To Discredit Satyagrahi

The Allahabad correspondent of the "National Herald" writes:

A new technique seems to have been evolved by the local jail authorities to discredit satyagrahis.

Mr. Mewa Lal who was sentenced to 17 months' rigorous imprisonment in connection with the Satyagraha movement on March 27, was suddenly driven out of the Malaka jail on Saturday. He was brought to the jail gate on the pretext that his relations have come to see him and then made to go out of the jail by the warders.

Mr. Mewa Lal shouted satyagrahi slogans at the jail gate, but he was not arrested. Thence he went from street to street shouting slogans. Even then he was not arrested. Next morning, however, the news appeared in local papers that Mewa Lal had apologised.

On reading the news Mr. Mewa Lal wrote a letter to the District Magistrate, telling him that he never apologised. He himself delivered the letter at the bungalow of the District Magistrate, but he was not arrested.

Mr. Mewa Lal has again applied for permission to offer Satyagraha.

FRENCH FACTORIES WORK FOR NAZIS

(Continued from Page 1.)

pects even more efficient than when the industry worked for France. Evidence has been received that they have been repairing German tanks and submarines.

MUNITIONS FOR NAZIS

The French motor car industry which used to turn out aeroplane engines and ammunitions has since April 5 been collaborating in a formal agreement with the enemy. The Renault, Citroen and Peugeot motor companies are involved in the agreement which, it is believed, merely regularised what had already been taking place, for at least two of these firms had been producing aircraft components, motorboats, tank parts and ammunition for the Germans.

CARGO PASSED ON TO GERMANY

It is recalled that the Secretary of French National Economy, M. Bouthillier, at the opening of the Paris Fair stated that one-quarter of the French mechanical and electrical industries were working for the Germans. In addition to this help it is known that a considerable portion of all cargoes that go into Marseilles reach the Germans. In a recent period of six weeks it has become known that the French handed over to the Germans 10,000 tons of aluminium, 8,000 tons of magnesium, 38,000 tons of bauxite, 30,000 tons of wool and 60,000 tons of fruit.

HELIGOLAND BOMBED

Power Station & Oil Refinery Near Bethune Blown Up

LONDON, May 22.

Attacks on Heligoland and enemy-occupied France were the features of Wednesday's R.A.F. activity.

Yesterday afternoon a small force of the Bomber Command made a successful surprise attack on the naval base of Heligoland. One bomber is missing from this operation.

Further forces of aircraft of the Bomber Command, escorted by a large formation of fighters of the Fighter Command, yesterday afternoon attacked a power station and an oil refinery near Bethune in enemy-occupied France, shortly after crossing the French coast enemy fighters engaged the R.A.F. and a number of combats ensued.

In spite of this the enemy was unable to prevent the success of the attacks, direct hits being observed on both the objectives. Five enemy fighters were shot down by R. A. F. fighters and one by the bombers. One R. A. F. bomber and six R. A. F. fighters are missing.

Docks Bombed

A football match was in progress when R.A.F. bombers swept over Heligoland.

The ground defences soon went into action, however, and British bombers went through a hail of anti-aircraft fire as they flew over the Island at a height of between 40 and 50 feet.

The crews could see the gunners working feverishly on the ground and bombs from one aircraft made a direct hit on a battery of four guns.

The Docks to the South of the Island, and the centre of the town were bombed.

After the attack, the target was a swirl of dust and smoke, lit here and there by flames.

The damage done on the raid carried out eight days ago was observed.—Reuter.

Raidless Night For Britain

LONDON, May 22.

There were no enemy aircraft over Britain last night, says an Air Ministry 'communique.'—Reuter.

Soviet Naval Appointments

MOSCOW, May 22.

The appointment of two Vice-Admirals and nine Rear-Admirals in the Soviet fleet is announced to-day.

The totals of these ranks have now been brought up to ten Vice-Admirals and fifty-four Rear-Admirals.

The promotion of a number of members of the shore duty staff is also announced.

The new Vice-Admirals include F. S. Oktyabrsky, a former Commander of the Amur Flotilla who in 1939 became the Commander of the Black Sea Fleet

The most recent Commander of Amur Flotilla, P. S. Abankin, is made a Rear-Admiral among to-day's promotions.

The other Vice-Admiral in the the list is Alexander Nemitz.—Reuter.

SEEING IRAQ REGENT IN HIS SADDLE

Arab Expert Appointed Charge D'Affaires

LONDON, May 22.

Mr. Gerald de Gaury has been appointed as Charge d'Affaires with His Royal Highness Emir Abdul Illah, Regent of Iraq, pending re-establishment of communication with the British Ambassador in Baghdad, it is announced in London.

The appointment is understood to signify the intention of the British Government to re-establish the Regent in his legitimate authority.

Mr. de Gaury is an expert on Arab affairs. He was the Political agent at the Principality of Roweit on the Persian Gulf from 1936 to 1939 and has spent the last few months as the First Secretary in the British Embassy in Teheran. He started his career as a soldier and then joined the R.A.F.—Reuter.

CABLE ITEMS

LONDON, May 22.

According to a Vichy report quoted by the Berlin radio the first batches of refugees to return to occupied from unoccupied France will leave at the end of the month.—Reuter.

JOHANNESBURG, May 22.

A further batch of about 6,000 Italian prisoners from North Africa arrived recently in an Union port bringing the total number of Italian prisoners now in South Africa to about 16,000.—Reuter.

JAPANESE DEFENCES

Foreign And War Ministers Meet Emperor

TOKYO, May 22.

International and domestic situations were discussed at a Liaison Conference between the Government and the Defence Services, according to the Domei Agency.

Later, the Foreign Minister Mr. Matsuoka and War Minister General Tojo reported to the Emperor on matters under their jurisdiction.—Reuter.

CALL TO AUSTRALIANS

Personal Sacrifice In Cause Of Country

ADELAIDE, May 22.

"The tides of war are moving swiftly towards our shores as the situation in the Balkans and the Middle East becomes more acute." This warning was made by Mr. Fadden, Acting Prime Minister. He said that there was no need for alarm, but as the situation exists and is likely to exist in the near future it should be faced.

"I don't mean specifically that the situation in the Pacific has become more serious, but as part and parcel of the British Empire we are vitally affected by the position as a whole in the Middle East which must have repercussions in the Pacific."

One ray of sunshine, he continued, was the evidence of the determination of the United States to back the British cause to the limit, not only by the supply of material but by actual delivery of materials.

He urged Australians to give a little more to Australia and a little less to themselves so as to help to meet any eventuality.—Reuter.

RATIONING OF WOOL & ZINC IN AUSTRALIA

SYDNEY, May 22.

Australia is greatly to restrict its civil consumption of wool and zinc owing to wartime necessity.

Mr. Fadden announcing restrictions said that at the request of the British Government, Australia has underaken to increase production and decrease consumption of zinc by many thousands of tons.

The recent conference on textile industry, said Mr. Fadden considered that the demand for 400,000 pounds worth of woollen yarns was beyond the industry's capacity.

It has been achieved only by restricting supplies of fingering wools for hand knitting.

The civil population must inevitably be called on to accept a severe curtailment of supplies of these materials.—Reuter.

Captured War Material For Singapore Defences

SINGAPORE, May 22.

War material captured from the Italians in the African campaigns now augment the defences of Singapore.

Pictures distributed by the local Ministry of Information show the Chinese Military Mission which recently toured Malaya inspecting a row of Italian anti-tank guns among other armament.—Reuter.

DESPITE GOERING'S BOMBERS

Britain Has Increased Output Of Guns And Tanks

LONDON, May 22.

Reuter's lobby correspondent writes:—Despite all the attempts of Goering's bombers to hamper production, it can now be stated that the output of both guns and tanks in Great Britain was 50 per cent better in the first quarter of this year than that of the best quarter last year.

Greater use than ever is being made of machine-tools and machines and in some cases production from some machines is 14 per cent more than the rated capacity. The production of some articles has reached levels which five or six months ago was not thought possible. These results are partly due to the spirit of the workers who carry on after heavy raids. In some cases their production shows an increase over that of places not bombed. The change-over of the capacity of the country to war purposes is now almost complete. There remains the task of gearing up all production to the highest possible capacity. Good as are the figures for the first quarter of the year, they do not represent anything like the production desired by the Government.

It is not intended to launch an intensive production drive as was done last year after Dunkirk when the task of equipping the B. E. F. was most urgent, but rather to rely upon the growing spirit and determination of the people for victory to secure ever-increasing production until their aim is attained.—Reuter.

New Light On Hess Story

No Previous Correspondence With Hamilton, Says Sinclair

LONDON, May 22.

More light on the whole Hess incident was shed in the House of Commons by Sir Archibald Sinclair replying to a question.

Sir Archibald Sinclair made it clear that there had been no previous correspondence between Hess and the Duke of Hamilton and that the Duke of Hamilton did not recognise Hess when he saw him in a Scottish hospital although it was possible that Hess had seen him when he visited the Olympic Games in 1936.

Major Lloyd George suggested that it would give satisfaction to the R. A. F. if Sir Archibald Sinclair stated what action was taken to intercept his plane.

Sir Archibald Sinclair replying said that when Hess baled out a defiant fighter was hot on his plane's trail.—Reuter.

Move To Grab French Gold?

LONDON, May 22.

The German Finance Minister, Count Schwerin, has arrived in Paris for talks with the German authorities there, says a Paris despatch to the Official German News Agency. He comes from Brussels.

BAN ON SWISS PAPERS GOES

The order issued in Vichy prohibiting the sale of Swiss newspapers in unoccupied France has been cancelled, according to the Brussels radio. French censorship will, however, be imposed on all Swiss newspapers entering unoccupied France.—Reuter.

COMMAND OF U. S. SPECIAL FORCES

Naval Committee Approves "Unusual Legislation"

WASHINGTON, May 22.

Unusual legislation creating an unspecified number of Vice-Admirals to command special forces which might be assigned to important military missions was unanimously approved by the House of Representatives Naval Committee.

Rear-Admiral C. W. Nimitz, Chief of the Bureau of Navigation, gave the committee a carefully guarded explanation of the need for the measure which nevertheless made clear that the new commands would be assigned only to missions of major importance.

The Navy's unexpected request for legislation has stirred up the immediate conjecture whether the proposed "task forces" as they are called might be used to protect United States shipping soon to be moving into the Red Sea or for some equally significant operation.

Testifying before the Committee Rear Admiral Nimitz said "it is conceivable that ships and planes will be broken up into "Task forces" to carry out special missions. Such Task force might consist of a division of battleships, a wing of aircraft a flotilla of destroyers and a number of submarines." He said that he could not disclose to the committee how such forces might be used.—Reuter.

U. S. A. MUST PRESERVE FREEDOM OF SEAS,

Says Knox

LONDON, May 22.

The repeal of what he calls "the terrible blunder of the Neutrality Act of the United States" is urged by Colonel Knox.

He said that the United States should preserve the freedom of the seas and allow her ships to serve in British ports and other war zones.—Reuter.

Small Aircraft Carriers To Protect U. S. Shipping

WASHINGTON, May 21.

The American Navy is busy with proposals for relatively small improvised aircraft carriers to protect American freighters on high seas, declared the Navy Minister Col. Knox at a Press Conference to-day (Wednesday). The United States Navy's Air Force on May 1 consisted of 3,476 aircraft of which 1,304 were added during the past year. He added that deliveries had been accelerated materially. 996 aircraft were delivered since January 1 which contrasted with 79 in the same period last year. About half the aircraft delivered to the navy last year had been sent to Britain, and this proportion was generally being followed. The training of pilots had been accelerated five-fold within the year.—Reuter.

Cyprus, Hitler's Next Objective?

LONDON, May 22.

There are many indications that the island of Cyprus may be the next on the German list, declared an American radio commentator from Ankara on Wednesday night.

A daily stream of German planes including Junkers transports, he added, could be seen heading southward off Turkey's western Aegian shores during the past week.

The immediate destination of these planes is Rhodes. Experts in Ankara, he declared, believe that the Germans will try one of two moves—either an attack on the strategic island of Cyprus directly or their troopships will try to run the gauntlet between Rhodes and the Syrian ports.—Reuter.

Not Confirmed In London

Entry Of Free French Forces Into Syria

LONDON, May 22

No official confirmation is available in London of the report that Free French troops have entered Syria and have been joined by French troops within Syria.—Reuter.

SITUATION IN SYRIA UNCERTAIN

Vichy Instructs Gen. Dentz To March Into Lebanon

LONDON, May 22.

The position in Syria is still uncertain. It appears that a large French force under the command of General Dentz, High Commissioner of Syria, received orders to move into Lebanon with the aim of forestalling possible intervention from the direction of Palestine.

The French regiment which has joined General de Gaulle formed the rearguard of these forces.

The Vichy authorities in Syria, a despatch to Free French Agency says, are said to be meeting with hostility even among the troops that have reached Lebanon.

The main aim of the visit to Syria of General Bergeret, Marshal Petain's Air Minister, is stated to be to revive their loyalty.

The despatch adds, that there is reason to believe that a regiment commanded by a well-known Colonel has gone over to the Free French Forces, which have entered Syria. His name cannot be revealed, but he distinguished himself in the French campaign against the Druse tribes in Syria in 1923.

BRITISH AND AMERICAN CITIZENS LEAVE LEBANON

LONDON, May 22.

Over a hundred British and American residents in Lebanon moved into Palestine on Wednesday. More are expected to follow them.

TURKISH DEPUTY SLASHES AT NAZIS

Series Of Promises Broken While Protesting Friendship

ANKARA, May 22.

The Turkish Deputy, Mr. Yalchin has fired another broadside at Germany to-day. He recalls that Germany promised Rumania friendship but gave away Bessarabia, Transylvania and Dobrudja, while all resources of Rumania are in German hands. He recalls also that while still friendly to Greece, the Germans promised Salonika to the Yugoslavs and he mentions German assurances to other small countries and says that in the last war, when Turkey was Germany's ally, Germany offered the Straits and Istanbul to Russia in return for a separate peace.

"Therefore a promise of friendship does not prevent the Germans dividing up the country with whom they have sworn friendship."

The series of articles continue to attract widespread attention.—Reuter.

Turkish Rail Traffic With Central Europe To Be Resumed?

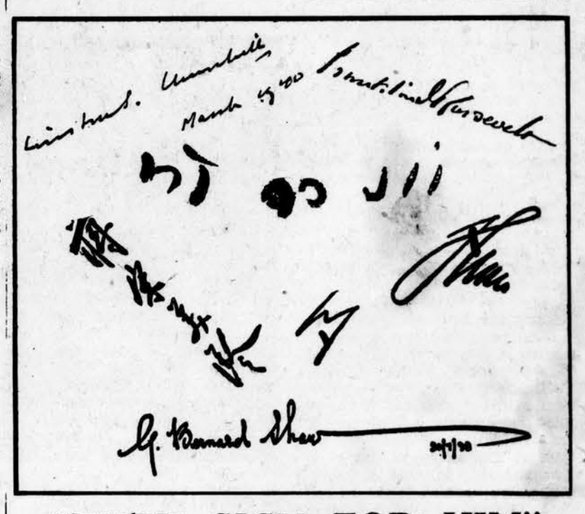
Bridges Blown Up During Nazi Advance Into Greece May Be Reconstructed

ISTANBUL, May 22.

Railway bridges on the Turco-Greek frontier blown up by the Turks for the sake of security when the Germans advanced into Greek territory may soon be reconstructed.

Turkish, German and Bulgarian Railway Delegates, it is understood, are to confer at the frontier town of Uzunkefru to consider the matter.

The negotiations also involve the resumption of Turkey's rail traffic with Bulgaria and Central Europe, which had been completely held up since the Germans penetrated Greek Thrace.—Reuter.



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Numerous Other Interesting Features

SUNDAY, MAY 25

FINE FOREIGN FILMS FARE THIS WEEK

American comedian W. C. Fields with his hat off in "The Bank Dick" at Regal.

A Film From Australia

"FORTY THOUSAND HORSEMEN" AT CAPITOL

"Forty Thousand Horsemen," a wildly thrilling war drama dealing with the dauntless exploits of the Australian Light Horse in Palestine and Sinai during the last war continues for the 2nd week at the Capitol. It is produced and directed by the famous Charles Chauvel and released by Universal.

This film, made in Australia, is grand stuff. It thrills you to the core and is highly topical seeing that once again the Australians are covering themselves with glory in the desert campaigns of the present war in Egypt and Abyssinia.

A slender romance between Grant Taylor, an Australian soldier and Betty Bryant, a French girl, has charm and appeal. But the centre of interest is the bravery of the small force of Australian cavalry which drove the Turks and Germans from the Suez Canal zone, the desert fights, the capture of Gaza and Beersheba and the triumphant entry of the Australians into Jerusalem.

The masterly handling of settings and the excellence of the photography which makes this picture vivid and pulsating with life, are praiseworthy.

Brenda Marshall, Errol Flynn and Lucile Watson i "Footsteps In The Dark" at Metro.

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ERROL FLYNN IN MODERN DRESS

Figures As Mystery Story Writer in "Footsteps In The Dark" At Metro

Errol Flynn comes once again in modern dress, flinging aside his sword and rifle and complete with a tophat and a walking-stick in 'the Footsteps in the Dark' at Metro from to-day Last time he was seen at Metro in 'Santa Fe Trail' in full military atmosphere.

He is however the same adventurous and exciting man in civil life too. His role as a writer of mystery stories who likes to get his material first hand is as thrilling as his previous roles.

Leading a double life because he doesn't want his wife to know he is the author of a set of mystery yarns that debunk her fellow club members, he finds himself in plenty of hot water. In a series of swiftly paced scenes he uncovers a murder that the police had first dismissed as a natural death. His main clue leads him to a beautiful burlesque queen, portrayed by Lee Patrick, who was a friend of the murdered man. Things become most embarrassingly complicated when Miss Patrick is found murdered and Flynn is accused of having committed the crime.

"Footsteps In The Dark" is a film that combines laughter with thrills, joy with excitement and danger with romance. Having a novel story, cleverly told and deftly directed, it is a film that will please all.

Brenda Marshall, plays the role of Errol's wife and gives a grand performance as a woman who has to put up with an amateur sleuth for a husband. Cast as Brenda's mother and partner in misery is Lucile Watson whose performance gets many a laugh Ralph Bellamy is excellently cast as a dentist who provides Errol with an all-important clue. Lee Patrick comes through with a fine performance of the beautiful blonde showgirl who causes Flynn more trouble than the police and his mother-in-law combined.

"The Doctor Takes A Wife" At Broadway

Infectious laughter is the delightful product of the contagious comedy to be found in Columbia's "The Doctor Takes a Wife", at Broadway, Dadar. With Loretta Young in her first all comedy role—and appearing to greater advantage than ever before!—with Ray Milland as her dashing co-star and a splendid supporting cast which includes Reginald Gardiner, Gall Patrick and Edmund Gwenn, "The Doctor Takes a Wife" is very delightful indeed.

'LA CONGA NIGHTS' AT NEW EMPIRE

Hugh Herbert In Seven Different Roles

With Hugh Herbert playing seven different roles and fighting to steal comedy scenes from himself, Universal's musical farce, "La Conga Nights", comes from to-day at New Empire.

Spilling laughter and rapid-fire "gags" through every scene, the film reveals Herbert playing his mother, his grandfather and a quartette of dizzy sisters in addition to "himself." Destined to rank as one of the funniest pictures of the year, "La Conga Nights" is generously sprinkled with lilting music, new songs and gay dance routines.

Constance Moore as a pretty singer out of a job, and Dennis O'Keefe in the role of a dancing taxi-driver are youthful and refreshing in well played romantic roles. But it is Herbert who keeps the laughs bubbling forth from beginning to end.

The story concerns an eccentric millionaire with a "yen" for rhumba music who is ordered about by four bossy sisters who, of ccurse, are portrayed by Herbert. How he takes refuge in a boarding house because musicians live there, and how he helps the penniless guests open their own Conga club, results in fantastic and hilarious comedy situations. Eventually Herbert asserts himself and sets his sisters and his mother to work playing instruments in a red-hot rhumba orchestra. That Herbert makes each of the seven characters different and equally amusing is a credit to his comedy genius.

Margaret Sullavan in 'So Ends Our Night, at Excelsior.

"CITY FOR CONQUEST" AT PALACE

A powerful drama of undying love in a big city is the thrilling theme of "City for Conquest", a Warner Bros. picture which is shown this week at Palace. Starring James Cagney and Ann Sheridan, the picture tells the story of two people in love who are determined to climb out of New York's slums and make a success of their lives. But they discover that success is only to be had by sacrificing everything they set their hearts on. It is a story as powerful and wild as the city itself.

Performances are uniformly excellent, with Cagney and Sheridan setting the pace for the rest of the cast. Arthur Kennedy, a new star, who plays a young musician, and Eliz Kazan of the Broadway stage, both do outstanding jobs in featured character roles, as do also Donald Crisp and Frank McHugh. "City for Conquest" is a rare motion picture of great entertainment value Moving along at a swift pace, it is an exciting human story of wide appeal.

DEMOCRACY'S SINEWS OF WAR

F. A. B. Release At Metro

At the Metro Cinema, from today, will be seen a one-reel topical "Raw Materials," produced by the British Ministry of Information and distributed in India by the Film Advisory Board.

The topical is as interesting as it is instructive. A vital factor in the current war is the supply of raw materials like oil, coal iron, rubber, timber and tin. The film shows how the world's principal sources of the supply of all these basic materials either belong to or are allied with Britain and how the supplies are continuous and inexhaustible.

The cinematic technique of this topical is suited to the subject it deals with. Each commodity is symbolised, and the symbols move on a world map to indicate the source and direction of supply.

A silhoutte of British factories, working double-time despite the air raids, makes an impressive sight.

'SO ENDS OUR NIGHT' AT EXCELSIOR

Fine Work By Team Of Wellknown Actors

Sweeping drama, brilliant acting and direction and an unforgettable love story make the new David L. Loew-Albert Lewin picture, "So Ends Our Night," one of the greatest and most stirring motion pictures to emerge from Hollywood. It is being shown at Excelsior from to-day.

"So Ends Our Night" was brilliantly directed by John Cromwell from the screenplay written by Talbot Jennings and it is being released by United Artists. An outstanding cast of stars headed by Fredric March, Margaret Sullavan, Frances Dee, Glenn Ford, Anna Sten Rich von Stroheim, Roman Bohnen, Leonid Kinskey and Lionel Royce enacts the intensely poignant story of "So Ends Our Night" with outstanding brilliance and talent.

A great love story is unfolded in "So Ends Our Night", and it is played against the colourful backgrounds of the leading European capitals. The action starts in Vienna and unwinds in Paris, taking the audience also to Prague and the Alpine passes of Switzerland. This shifting of locales keeps the picture moving at a fast pace, accelerates the implications of the drama and likewise provides a continuous stream of fresh and different scenes for the audience.

Most of the action centers around the love affair which develops between Ruth Holland, played in her usual flawless manner by Margaret Sullavan, and Ludwig Kern, portrayed by Glenn Ford, a new comer, who turns in a performance that assures him stardom in his next film effort. Fredric March, one of the screen's most popular players, is starred as Josef Steiner, who appears as a political refugee who believes fervently that he can triumph over oppression

Constance Moor in 'La Conga Nights' at New Empire.

'THE BANK DICK' AT REGAL

Great American Comedian W. C. Fields Cast In Steliar Role

Filled with Fieldsian whimsicalities, Universal's "The Bank Dick" will spill a big bag of tricks when it comes to the Regal Theatre on Friday.

For years the star, W. C. Fields, has been acclaimed one of the greatest comedians on the American stage or screen. The honor has never been disputed but if any proof were needed, it is here in his latest picture.

More typically Fields' material than any of the star's more recent productions, Fields appears as a special guard in a bank, a role he has long wanted to play. Fields is starred solo—which means he has the bulk of the comedy business to carry.

The original screenplay by Mahatma Kane Jeeves, is full of opportunities for the comedian to play his effective, spontaneous, comedy acting, and director Eddie Cline has wisely allowed Fields to indulge himself and to make the most of the opportunities offered. Cline is an old-time comedian and comedy director, knows good comedy business when he sees, it, whether it is written into his script or not.

Aiding and abetting Fields in "The Bank Dick" is a cast which includes Una Merkel, Richard Purcell, Shemp Howard, Franklin Pangborn, Grady Sutton, Jessie Ralph, Cora Witherspoon, Dave Oliver Harlan Briggs and scores of others who appear in the numerous comedy sequences with which the picture is crammed. The sequence in which Fields feeds the unsuspecting Pangborn a Mickey Finn is one of the funniest in which the star has ever been caught by a camera.

The production was photographed by Milton Krasner.

SUNDAY SHOW AT REGAL.

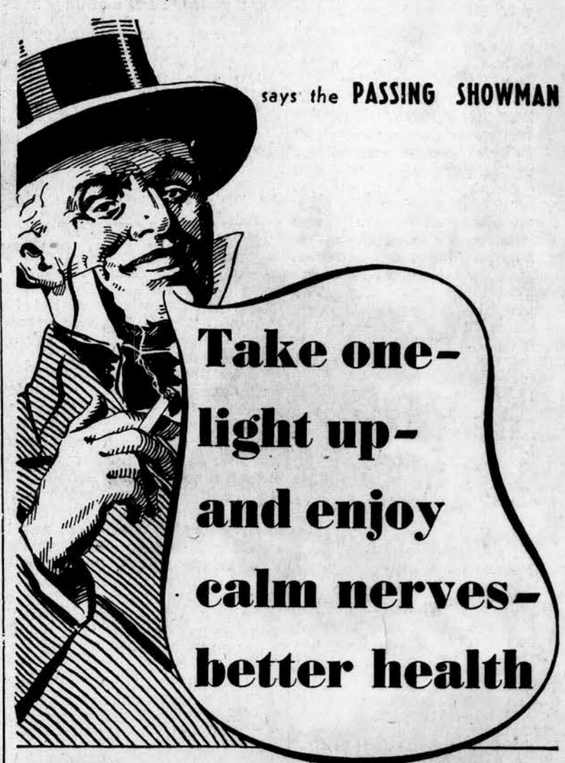
"Magnificent Obsession" starring Robert Taylor and Victor McLaglen will be shown at the Regal Theatre on Sunday morning at 10-30.

SUNDAY SHOW AT METRO

On Sunday, May 25th at 10 a. m. Clark Gable, Claudette Colbert, Spencer Tracy and Hedy Lamarr will be featured in Metro-Goldwyn Mayer's spectacular and thrilling oil drama "Boom Town."

SUNDAY SHOW AT CAPITOL

On Sunday morning at 10-30 "Marie Antoinette" with Norma Shearer and Tyrone Power will be screened at the Capitol.



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WHY DON'T YOU ASK ME TO CLIMB IN A CAGE WITH SIX DOZEN LIONS?
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SHE'S NOT SORE AT YOU! JUST GO AND TELL HER THAT I'M REALLY SORRY! TELL HER I LOVE HER! TELL HER I SAID SHE'S A DREAM AND I CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT HER!
O.K., MUTT! I'LL TELL HER!
MRS. MUTT, I-----
NO!
NO WHAT?
JUST PLAIN NO!
NO?
NO!
OH, NO!
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WELCOME

Nizam Is No Bigot

Ruler Of State Has No Religion In The Sense He Has No Bias

HYDERABAD (Deccan), May 22.

"I do not desire to injure, with narrow mindedness, the susceptibilities of any community or faith or to distort the practice of my religion in such a manner as to earn the title of bigot. It has been my principle and also the principle of my forefathers to look all religion without difference or distinction and cause no weakening of our rule by interference in the practice of any religion", declares His Exalted Highness the Nizam in an unofficial communication to a local paper.

Refuting the interpretation given to the line in a poem composed by the Nizam some years ago by some Majlis spokesmen in support of the theory that the Nizam is the embodiment of the Sovereignty of his Muslim subjects, he states that what he may write or say as a Muslim cannot be confused with what he may write or say as a ruler, for in the latter capacity he rules over a people professing different faiths and over different communities, not only one particular sect and that as such he must rule equally over all. "Religious and political matters", he adds, "are two different things which cannot be combined together as their very nature is different, and this distinction is understood by persons with a sense of understanding and with minds free from tumult."

RULER HAS NO RELIGION

His Exalted Highness then refers to the 'firman' he officially issued eight years ago which stated "inter alia" that whatever may be the religion of his house or his own personal beliefs, he is as the ruler the follower of another religion as well which may be characterised as "peace to all", because "under me live people of different faiths and different communities and the protection of their houses of worship has been for a long time part of the constitution of my State."

"In my other capacity as the Ruler," concludes the Nizam, "I consider myself to be without any religion, not in the sense of being an atheist, but in the sense of being without bias as a Ruler for any particular religion or community. In this faith I and my forefathers have taken pride and will continue to take and I trust my descendants also, God willing, will follow the same principle."—A. P.

Cornering Of Newsprint Responsible

Press Owners Urge Governor To Ensure Regular Supply

PACHMARHI, May 22.

A Deputation of the proprietors and managers of Nagpur newspapers waited on the Governor and brought to his notice the hardships they were experiencing on account of the scarcity of newsprint and abnormal rise in the price of newsprint.

They urged upon His Excellency to take such measures as would ensure a regular supply of newsprint to all newspapers at reasonable prices.

The deputationists stated that the supply had been affected at present as some newspapers and merchants were cornering stocks.

The deputationists also urged the abolition of the terminal tax on newsprint.

His Excellency is reported to have promised to consider their suggestions and to represent such of their grievances to the Government of India which were beyond the sphere of the Provincial Government.—A. P.

Govt. Denies Allegations

Medical Attendance For Satyagrahis In Yervada

(From Our Correspondent)

POONA, May 21.

In reply to a communication from Mr. Haribhau Joshi of "Lokashakti" regarding inadequate medical attendance to the Satyagrahi prisoners in Yeravda Central Jail, the Deputy Secretary to the Government of Bombay, Home Department, writes to the effect that the Government enquiries do not substantiate his allegations.

GOVT. DENIAL

With regard to the suggestion of Mr. Joshi that sicknesses of Messrs R. K. Khadilkar, N. G. Acharya and D. V. Raut, took a rather serious turn in the jail owing to the lack of proper medical attention; the Government has refuted the charge and have emphasised the point that the prisoners in question were suffering from the diseases complained of before they courted imprisonment.

Replying to the demand of Mr. Joshi that the prisoners should be given facility to get themselves examined by their own private medical advisers, and that they should be permitted to take the treatment prescribed by them, the Government has expressed their inability to accede it. They further point out that the facilities at present granted for medical treatment of prisoners are adequate and that the medical officers in jails have standing instructions to consult the Civil Surgeon and obtain a second opinion in all cases where they may not be sure of their diagnosis or the patient may not respond satisfactorily to the treatment, prescribed for him by them.

As regards the complaint that there is congestion in the Yeravda Central Prison, the Government has also refuted it.

It is understood that Mr. Haribhau Joshi is sending a rejoinder challenging the correctness of some of the statements made in Govt. reply.

FAQIR OF IPI BUSY AGAIN

SIMLA, May 22.

The Faqir of Ipi, who is still at Gorwekth, has been intensifying propaganda against persons in Government service, and there have been many rumours but no proofs of his intentions.

The situation with regard to the Maddakhel tribe is still far from settled, and Madda Khel Malika have been demanding the payment of allowances withheld for various misdemeanours and release of certain of their tribesmen who are under restraint, and various other minor items as a pre-requisite to their full co-operation with Government.

A number of offences have been committed on the Bannu-Razmak road. On May 13 a large gang consisting of elements from the Tori Khel, Mohmit Khel and Madda Khel blocked the road near the Nariwala Barai. The following day troops, Scouts, and Khassadars engaged the hostiles and drove them off, killing two of them. Working parties then cleared the road and traffic was resumed.

TROOPS ENGAGE TRIBESMEN.

On May 16 troops were engaged with hostiles a few miles north of Razmak, suffering some casualties. Full details of this encounter are at present lacking and the enemy casualties are not yet known.

The Tori Khel Jirga was again seen by the Political Agent on May 10, at Miranshah, and the Jirga accepted responsibility for the return of Hindu captives who are still in Azalmir's hands. They pointed out, however, that on account of the harvest and seasonal migration they would require some time in which to discharge their obligations.

In south Waziristan, Qadar Khan Abdullah has been giving trouble. He rejected demands made on him by Abdullai Maliks for release of a Hindu named Ramamurti except on exorbitant terms, and organised the blockade of the road near Chaleri on the 12th May. The Maliks sent to disperse this gang were, however, successful.—A. P.

Savarkar's Reply To Rajendra Babu

BOMBAY, May 22.

The assertion that the Hindu Mahasabha alone has stood by the Hindus with uncompromising, active and devoted allegiance throughout its career and to the best of its abilities and that consequently it is the Mahasabha and not the Congress or the Congressmen that can represent Hindudom as a whole, is made by Mr. V. D. Savarkar, President of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, in the course of a statement issued today.

This statement is a rejoinder to a speech made by Dr. Rajendra Prasad at Patna in connection with the recent communal riots in Bihar Sharif, wherein he is reported to have said that he is a Hindu and the Hindus are his own people and as a Hindu leader it is his special duty to admonish the Hindus alone.—United Press.

Hindu Sabha Not To Contest

MADRAS, May 22.

Dr. P. Varadarajulu Naidu, General Secretary, Hindu Mahasabha in a statement regarding the forthcoming by-elections to the City Council says:—

If the Congress councillors of the Madras Corporation have decided to come back to the Council, the election board of the Madras Hindu Sabha have decided not to contest by-elections, but individual members of the Hindu Sabha are permitted to stand for elections if they so desire.—A. P.

Indus Water Commission

LAHORE, May 22.

The Indus Water Commission appointed by the Central Government to enquire into the dispute between the Punjab and Sind Governments arising out of the distribution of water of the river Indus will hold meetings in June next. The Punjab Government, it is authoritatively learned, have not applied for a postponement of these meetings as is published in a section of the Punjab Press.—A. P.

Over 56 Crores For Defence

SIMLA, May 22.

Subscriptions to the second defence loan for the week ending May 17, 1941, amounted to Rs. 83,60,100 says a Press Note.

The total amount subscribed to the interest-free defence bonds upto May 17, 1941, was Rs. 2,38,-17,000 to the three per cent defence loans (including previous issues) Rs. 51,26,65,000 and to the post office ten year defence savings certificates Rs. 2,72,90,000.

The grand total of subscriptions to all Indian defence loans upto May 17, 1941, is Rs. 56,37,72,000.—A. P.

RANGOON EVACUATION PLANS

RANGOON, May 22.

Mr. Marsh, Evacuation Officer, accompanied by a few Indian leaders and Mr. Hutchings, Agent, Government of India, visited Wanet Chaung about 30 miles from Rangoon and discussed the possibility of the area being turned into an evacuation camp for accommodating about 20,000 Indian residents in Rangoon.

Similar sites are being requisitioned near Pegu for Chinese and Muslim communities.

A batch of Chinese passengers who arrived by a Chinese boat from Hong Kong has been detained and refused permission to land for defective passports.—United Press.

INDIANS OUTNUMBER BURMANS

RANGOON, May 22.

Indians outnumber Burmese in Rangoon city by nearly 50,000 with a population of 226,596 compared with 127,582 Burmese and other Indigenous races.

Compared with the last census ten years ago, the Indian population of Rangoon increased by 28,603 or 14.4 per cent.

During the same period, the number of Chinese rose from 30,624 to 46,556, an increase of 15,932, or 52 per cent., roughly.

These facts are revealed in the provisional census figures for Rangoon city, excluding the Cantonment, which records the population of Rangoon as over half a million compared with 400,415 in 1931.

The total population of Burma has increased by over two million and is provisionally estimated at 16,819,733 compared with 14,667,146 at the last census.—A. P.

INDIRA INTERVIEWS JAWAHARLL

DEHRA DUN, May 22.

Miss Indira Nehru had an interview with Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru in jail yesterday.—A. P.

Frontier Electoral Rolls And Congress

PESHAWAR, May 21.

Khan Ali Gul Khan, President of the Frontier Provincial Congress Committee, has issued the following statement:—

"Complaints have been received from several places of the Province regarding the preparation of fresh electoral rolls which is now in process. It is also alleged that taking advantage of the ignorance of the people, certain persons deputed to this work are making deliberate omissions in the list of voters. I am, therefore, directing all subordinate Congress Committees including village Jirgas in the Province to take immediate steps to ensure that correct list is prepared.—A. P.

WHERE THE INVADER RULES?

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pressed to the Germans.

3. An amazing job of reconstruction has been done by the Germans, "and it would be a grave mistake to refuse to face that fact". The preparation of the Germans was amazing. Though the cylinders which provided tunes for the carillon in the Antwerp cathedral were taken away by the Belgians, the Germans had new ones all ready and scarcely any music was lost, though the new tunes lack the finesse of the old.

4. Factories to the number of 350 were destroyed. Chief destruction in many places was by the retiring French and British forces. There was a little looting by Germans, quickly brought under discipline; actually, Moen says after a check-up because he couldn't believe it at first, more looting was done by Belgian, French and British troops, in ascending order, who assumed refugees would never again get home, and who probably thought what they didn't take the Germans might.

5. German propaganda is not to be trusted about the vast numbers of Belgians who have volunteered for work in the Reich. A few were enthusiasts for Nazism; there were many who were desperate and saw no other means of caring for their loved ones; even some of those most urgently in need of work refused to go. Generally unknown is the fact that a high percentage who did go were previously war captives living the dreariest of lives in concentration camps, to whom work even under Nazi rulers was better than imprisonment under camp conditions.

6. Sabotage of Germany's war effort has been persistent if never on a large scale. Wires have been cut many, many times. Harsh punishment has not stopped the expression of the wish to help Britain win. One sales girl disappeared after she asked a Nazi officer, who was buying a bathing suit, if he wanted it to swim the Channel. Least tolerant Germans were the young members of the Labour fronts; sometimes Nazi troopers and Belgians joined to beat them up after they had been unendurably arrogant. Kindliest have been the military police, many of whom were formerly civilian policemen in German cities.

7. Jokes galore are a form of continuous anti-Nazi propaganda. A typical story is this one. A Gestapo inspector visits a chicken farmer. "What do you feed your chickens?" he asks. Replies the farmer, "Nothing—Nothing at all." "Why how can that be?" says the astonished Nazi; "they look fat as can be." "It's simple," the rustic answers, "I have two thousand hens and one rooster. I call the rooster 'Adolf,' and he leads the hens out to eat the neighbours' feed."

8. "I never found anyone on the Continent," declares Moen, "who believed, even now, that England was fighting for democracy, or for anything other than the continued existence of the British Empire." Opinion is widely anti-Nazi, but not pro-British. Partly the coldness towards Britain is due to resentment over the accusations against Leopold; and to blame placed on Britain for hunger from the blockade.

9. Civilians were machine-gunned by German planes, in stark contrast to the kindly care given the same sort of people once victory was achieved. The purpose appeared to be to demoralize the masses of refugees thus hampering the Allied armies. Mr. Moen does not indicate, as other observers have, that often civilians suffered in this way because they attached themselves for "safety" to columns of re treating troops. No excuse can be found for some of the machine-gunning Moen knew of, or saw, on any grounds.

10. Greatest failure of the Belgian Government was not in losing the war, but in failing to make detailed plans for the evacuation, in event of an invasion. Many things could have been done without even violating Nazi spurious standards of neutrality. I myself can attest to this; a close friend was frankly told by one of the highest officials of the Government that if invasion came nothing worth mentioning could be done. Much could have; allowing for all the difficulties, plans and preparations would have helped.

11. German soldiers in large groups were very courageous. But singly they were timid, confused, unsure of themselves

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Perhaps Mr. Moen's greatest contribution to American thought, after all, is his earnest effort to portray how deeply Western Europeans had become imbued with doubts about the validity of the old capitalist imperialism, and the old internal economic structure. This, millions had come to feel, was a civilization not worth the ultimate in sacrifice to preserve. The moral is clear: if these millions are to be enlisted for an enduring fight to undermine Fascism in the ways left open to them, they must be inspired by something more than cries for vengeance, something more than boasts of eventual victory, something more than promises to restore the kind of life that everybody but the privileged and unconstructive overlords found so ghastly. For the reaching out of the masses in Western Europe is not a destructive radicalism; it is a groping after a better life. Can Britain, can America, convince them that out of the Anglo-American effort that kind of new life may come? So far the democracies haven't tried. If they don't try soon, what conclusions will the hungry come to—the hungry of stomach by blockade, the minds famished for new hope and constructive vision?—("No-frontier News Service.")

J. D. S. Medal For Havildar

SIMLA, May 22

A Havildar of the First Punjab Regiment, whose personal disregard of fear and determination to defeat the enemy played a great part in the success of his unit at "Tumar West", South of Sidi Barrani, has been awarded the Indian Distinguished Service Medal, says a Press Note. Natha Singh's platoon had been set a difficult objective and it was in great part due to this Havildar's determination that the objective was attained and the enemy routed on his front.—A. P.

Convoy From Razmak Fired Upon

BANNU, May 21

Road protection parties and a convoy coming from Razmak were fired upon near Dossali and Idak in North Waziristan. Devi Dittamal, a shopkeeper, was shot dead. His dead body was brought here. Medat Khan, Traffic Inspector in North Waziristan and son of a well-known Lambardar of Hassaukhel village, was deprived of his firearms and molested by hostiles near Mirali.—A. P.

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To be well dressed one must look as if one were comfortable. These members of the Dress-Reform League are at an informal party. The man on the right wears short coat in the Rajput style and jodhpurs to match, of "Riviera" cotton which looks like a fine wool gaberdine, and holds its shape just as well. His companion wears a single-breasted suit of sand-coloured herringbone "Hanava", which is almost indistinguishable from a light, smooth tweed. Both men are perfectly cool and comfortable psychologically as well as physically, for they have the comfortable knowledge that their suits sit and hang perfectly, despite countless washings.

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Congress Cabinet Member Ill In Jail

Former Editor Of 'Lokshakti' Released Unconditionally Due To Illness

CUTTACK, May 22.

Mr. Harekrishna Mehtab, a member of the Congress Working Committee, who is undergoing imprisonment in the Berhampore Jail, it is reported, is not keeping well. There is, however, no cause for anxiety.—United Press.

PUNJAB SECURITY PRISONERS' HEALTH

SIMLA, May 22.

Detailed information is understood to have reached the Punjab Government about the health of Security Prisoners belonging to the Punjab, who are detained in the Deoli Detention Camp.

It is understood that of the 89 Punjab prisoners in this camp 63 prisoners have gained in weight during their detention. The gain in the case of 27 prisoners has been from one to ten pounds. In the case of 38 prisoners it has been from ten to twenty pounds, while sixteen prisoners have put on between twenty to thirty pounds and two prisoners thirty pounds or more. The weight of one prisoner is understood to have remained stationary and only five prisoners have lost weight. Out of these five, however, two were already over weight, one of whom has been deliberately dieting to reduce superfluous fat.—A. P.

Convictions In Andhra

AMALAPURAM, May 21.

Six Satyagrahis were convicted by the Sub-divisional Magistrate under the Defence of India Rules for shouting anti-war slogans. Mr. G. Jagannadham of Lakshmi Polavaram was sentenced to three months' R. I and a fine of Rs. 500 in default to further two months' R. I.

Mr. Undru Subbarao of Kothalanka was sentenced to three months' R. I.

Messrs. A. Suryanarayana of Cheyyeru Narasimharaju of Kothalanka, S. V. Subbarao of Lakshmi Polavaram and T. V. Kallasrao of Velagleru (West Godavari) were each sentenced to two months' R. I.—A. P.

Two More 'Amicus Curiae' Releases

LAHORE, May 22.

On an 'amicus curiae' application filed on behalf of the High Court Bar Association, Mr. Justice Bhide acquitted to-day two more Satyagrahis of Rohtak District who had been convicted for giving notice to the District Magistrate of Rohtak of their intention to offer Satyagraha.

The Satyagrahis—Messrs. Badlu and Ramsingh—had been sentenced by the lower Court to one year's rigorous imprisonment each under the Defence of India Rules.—A. P.

Bhiwani Deputation To Aney

LUCKNOW, May 22.

Mr. M. S. Aney, the President of the All-India Hindu League, while returning from Simla to Nagpur, halted at Delhi for a few hours on May 18, and received a deputation of Hindus of Bhiwani (District Hissar) in the Punjab in connection with the communal riot, which broke out some days back at Bhiwani.

The President gave a patient hearing to the deputationists and deputed Pandit R. N. Kalia to make enquiries on the spot and report.—A. P.

Relief In Benares Punitive Tax

NAINI TAL, May 22.

After prolonged deliberations the Government of the United Provinces have decided to give some concessions to those inhabitants of Benares on whom punitive tax and assessment of compensation arising out of the communal disturbances in March 1939 were imposed.

It has been decided that those assessees who have paid the full amount originally assessed will not be required to pay more and any further payment made by any one in respect of surcharge will be refunded.—United Press.

Convictions In C. P.

JUBBULPORE, May 22.

Following are Satyagraha reports from Mahakosha:—

JUBBULPORE:—Seth Narayandas Gupta, M.A., LL.B., sentenced to three months'. Gopilal sentenced to two months.

SAUGOR:—Babulal Jadiya and Devakinandan Tewari to three months' rigorous each.

BETUL:—Mahadeva Tukaram Banjalkar six months' rigorous.

HOSHANGABAD:— Girjashankar Trivedy fifteen days' detention. Gandalal and Ramkrishna Jalkare four months' rigorous each. Dadabhai Nayak, M.L.A., offered Satyagraha and was arrested. Kashinath Billore was detained under Defence Rules.

NARSINGHPUR:—Shrimati Radhabhai Jatar, Jamnapd Mody, Bhaiyalal Tewari and Shyamlal Jaiswal, Secretary, Gotegaon Municipality, were arrested.

SEONI:—Ramprasad Jairwal sentenced to eight months' rigorous.

MANDLA:—Bhayalal Misra of Gondia sentenced to eighteen months'.—A. P.

Is Carrier Of Satyagraha Notices Abettor Of Offence?

ALLAHABAD, May 22.

The question whether peons who took notices regarding the offering of Satyagraha by a Congressman to the district authorities should also be charged with committing an offence was raised during trial under the Defence of India Rules of two peons of the local Congress office.

These peons are being prosecuted for delivering Satyagraha notices at the bungalow of the Superintendent of Police.

It was argued by the defence that a peon who simply carried Satyagraha notices for delivery could not be deemed to have committed an offence. He only did what a postman would have done.

The prosecuting inspector contended that the carrier of the Satyagraha notices was an abettor of the offence.

The Magistrate reserved judgment.—A. P.

200 Punjab Satyagrahis To Be Released

Sequel To High Court Decision On "Sending Intimations"

LAHORE, May 22.

It is understood that the Punjab Government have passed orders for the release of about 200 Satyagrahi prisoners who had been convicted for merely giving intimation to the District Magistrate of this respective district of their intention to offer Satyagraha.

These Satyagrahis, who include a number of members of the Punjab Assembly, are expected to be released either towards the end of this week or next week.

The above decision is reported to have been taken by the Punjab Government following a recent ruling of the Lahore High Court, that "the mere giving of notice of one's intention to offer Satyagraha does not constitute an offence under the Defence of India Rules".—A. P.

PRAMILA OKA JAILED

AKOLA, May 22.

Shrimati Pramila Oka, Secretary of the Women's Department of the Vidarbha Provincial Congress Committee, who was arrested to-day for offering Satyagraha at Bhaji Bazar was convicted under the Defence of India Rules and sentenced to four months 'rigorous imprisonment.—United Press.

'Lokshakti' Editor Released Unconditionally

POONA, May 22.

Mr. R. K. Khadilkar, ex-Editor of 'Lokashakti' who was convicted to undergo one year's simple imprisonment for offering Satyagraha in January last was released this evening unconditionally from Yervada Jail due to ill-health.—A. P.

SOCIALIST ARRESTED

NEW DELHI, May 20.

Mr. Baldeo Mitra Bijli, a Socialist worker from the Punjab, was arrested this evening under the Defence of India Rules.—A. P.

Indian Defence Committee

Central Legislators To Comprise Personnel

SIMLA, May 22.

The Associated Press understands that proposals for the constitution of the Committee forecast by H. E. the Commander-in-Chief, to advise on matters of defence, have been under active consideration for some time and are now reaching final shape. An announcement on the subject may be expected shortly.

It is learned that membership of the Committee will be restricted to members of both Houses of the Central Legislature.—A. P.

BRITAIN MUST PREPARE INDIA TO FACE DANGER

NEW DELHI, May 21.

Condemnation of treacherous act of Rashid Ali in betraying his King and country and an appeal to the Government of India to redouble their war efforts to prepare India for the impending danger are the main points in a statement issued by the Nawab of Chattari.

By his reprehensible conduct Rashid Ali has not only endangered the peace and security of Muslim lands round Iraq, but he has also brought the war to our very doors. I would, therefore, urge upon the British Government and the Government of India to redouble their war efforts and to strain every nerve to prepare India and the Indians for the danger.

The British Government cannot escape the responsibility for not preparing India for such an emergency.—A. P.

Charges Framed Against M. L. A.

LAHORE, May 22.

Charges under Secs. 38 of the Defence of India Rules and 18 of the Press Act, were framed today by a Lahore Magistrate, against Sardar Partap Singh M.L.A., General Secretary of the Punjab Provincial Congress Committee, for issuing a circular which is alleged to be objectionable to the various Congress Committees of the Province and Members of the District Boards.—A. P.

END INDIAN DEADLOCK

Indian Association Executive's Plea

CALCUTTA, May 22.

In a resolution on the present situation the Executive Committee of the Indian Association urges the immediate reconstitution of the Viceroy's Executive Council and stresses that in this moment of supreme emergency the British Government and the British statesmen including the Viceroy should stand above sectional differences which everywhere exist and in the spirit of true statesmanship constitute National Government at the centre so as to evoke whole-hearted and spontaneous support from Indians of all castes, creeds and denominations who are eager to be organised.

The Association feels that no further time should be lost in organising people under leaders who command general confidence.—United Press.

A. I. C. C. Workers' Trial

ALLAHABAD, May 22.

The trial of Mr. R. G. Pande, Officiating Secretary and Mr. Kanhaiya Lal, Librarian of the All-India Congress Committee, who are alleged to have been found possessing certain prejudicial papers during the recent search of the All-India Congress Committee Office, was taken up again by a Magistrate here.

According to the defence the actual custodian of the papers in the All-India Congress Committee Office was Mr. J. B. Kripalani, the General Secretary of the All-India Congress Committee and not the accused.

Further hearing was adjourned.—A. P.

Congressman Gets Three Months

MADRAS, May 22.

Mr. N. Thiruvengadam, a Congressman, was sentenced to three months' rigorous imprisonment by the Acting Chief Presidency Magistrate to-day for offering Satyagraha by shouting anti-war slogans at Washermanpet.—A. P.

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mense strength and advantage to the Council. There is a feeling in the country that the best that can be done is not being done by the Centre. In spite of the recent declaration of the Bengal Chamber of Commerce to the country, I have reasons to say that this feeling is shared by a large section of non-official Europeans in this country.

Let Indians, therefore, be given full responsibility and let them show that more can be done. At any rate I am sure that the change is bound to strike the imagination of the people and convince people that we will henceforward be fighting India's war.

In short, time is the greatest factor to-day and the sands are running out. Let it be our pride and privilege to share with America, Great Britain and the other units of the British Commonwealth, the honour of saving humanity from total destruction by beast in human garb."—A. P.

Let Indians Be Given Responsibility

Sir Sultan Ahmed Supports Proposal Of Premiers' Conference To End Deadlock

SOLON, May 22.

Strong support for the proposed Premiers' Conference is given by Sir Sultan Ahmed in statement to the Press.

He says:—"The war has now come to the very gate of India and it is imperative that we should sink all our differences and rise as one united India to meet the enemy. Every day counts our life and honour—leave aside property—are in immediate danger and we must cease talking and even thinking of Independence Pakistan and Constituent Assembly for the present. These may have some meaning after the war but they have none to-day.

GRAVE DANGER

"The position was dangerous enough before, but the treachery of Rashid Ali in Iraq, backed by German funds, has created immense complications for India. Let there also be no misunderstanding as to the Russian attitude. There are definite indications to-day that Russia may actively support German aggression in Asia. India, therefore, is in grave danger from west, north and east.

There is, however, still hope for this world. It is my firm conviction that with the help of America and Canada from the West and South Africa, India Australia and New Zealand from the east, Great Britain will save humanity. America is making a colossal contribution in war materials and will soon throw in her navy in the conflict. The united efforts of 400 million population of India with money, materials and man power ought to do the rest. If we seriously mean to win the war, we shall win it. India cannot be allowed to be ravished by gangsters. Let Pathan, Sikh and Rajput blood flow profusely if this outrage is to be prevented. Those of us who will not and cannot be in the fighting line will have to supply the other sinews of war—goodwill, money, and materials. If we have to go down let us go down fighting.

RECALL SATYAGRAHA

"The pre-requisite to any united effort of India is for Mahatma Gandhi to call off the Satyagraha. Those on his Satyagraha list whether in jail or outside it, in co-operation with the Muslims and other communities might be most usefully employed in promoting and maintaining internal peace. The importance of this can not be exaggerated. Ruffians and bad characters always exploit embarrassing occasions for their personal gain and do not hesitate to commit the most dastardly and brutal offences against their neighbours. Lawlessness is rampant and this is so when there is peace in the country. What will be the position when there will be aggression from outside? To keep internal peace in the country is by itself a great war service. Indeed, if for nothing else, I would strongly support the Premiers' Conference as suggested by Sir Sikander Hyat Khan and Mr. Fazlul Huq. One can easily suggest the form of emergency Government in the Provinces, which will be most effective for the purposes of intensifying war efforts and maintaining internal peace, but this can best be decided by the Conference.

AT THE CENTRE

"As regards the Centre, Indian opinion seems to be unanimous that complete Indianisation and expansion of the Viceroy's Executive Council is absolutely essential. It may, however, be a matter for serious consideration whether the inclusion of the Commander-in-Chief will not be a source of im-

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The Half-Column
By "Dim"

I have had a number of letters to-day, more than I can possibly acknowledge individually or use in a half column. A correspondent writing on the paper of one of the leading banks, but whose name I prefer to keep to myself, encloses a specimen of the application form for clerical posts in the Medical Department of the Government of Bombay. The schedule of particulars attached thereto is interesting. I will quote from it. "Selected candidates will be called for an interview at their own expense to Bombay. No reply will be given to candidates not selected for interview." This of course is only a minor matter. But look at the scale of pay offered, against which my correspondent makes the caustic marginal comment: 'Forerunner of the British New Order.' The para reads: "Pay Matriculates, Rs. 30|- per mensem, Pass and Honours Graduates Rs. 40|- and Rs. 50-- per mensem respectively in the scale of Rs. 25-5|2-55."

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My correspondent writes: "At this moment when our rulers are having a life and death struggle and claim to fight for the oppressed and for freedom, it is painful to see the way they value the standard of living of the present Indian generation."

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I quite agree. It is painfully painful. To think that the Surgeon General of Bombay cannot put a higher value on the standard of education than that an honours graduate should begin life at Rs. 50 and end in a not too higher region of pay. I would be grateful if the Surgeon General would review the adequacy of the scale of pay offered.

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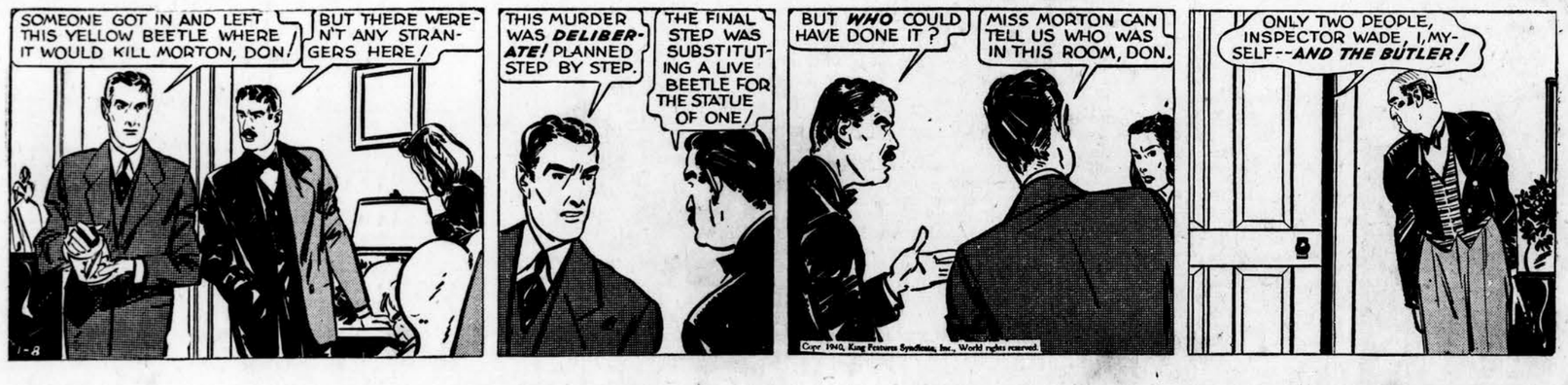
My Gestapo Agent P. Q. 13 has suddenly become active again. He writes to point out that in the current Indian Listener the A.I.R. has commenced a series of three talks in Marathi on the Psychology of Propaganda!! After the Anglo-Indian farce has continued all these months and months, the A.I.R. have suddenly awakened, two years after the war, to the need for a Marathi talk to educate the Indian public in matters of propaganda. May I *very humbly* say that I think it is a sop to those who are clamouring for the Indianisation of our broadcasting.

Edgar Wallace's Detective Story Day By Day

INSPECTOR WADE — THE YELLOW BEETLE


SOMEONE GOT IN AND LEFT THIS YELLOW BEETLE WHERE IT WOULD KILL MORTON, DON!
BUT THERE WEREN'T ANY STRANGERS HERE!
THIS MURDER WAS DELIBERATE! PLANNED STEP BY STEP.
THE FINAL STEP WAS SUBSTITUTING A LIVE BEETLE FOR THE STATUE OF ONE!
BUT WHO COULD HAVE DONE IT?
MISS MORTON CAN TELL US WHO WAS IN THIS ROOM, DON.
ONLY TWO PEOPLE, INSPECTOR WADE, I, MYSELF--AND THE BUTLER!
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